



**VOTES OF 100 MEN  
KEEP 3,300 FROM  
WORK AT IHC CO.**

**Fort Wayne Plant, Work-  
ing on Navy Trucks,  
Closed by Strike**

**BULLETIN**  
Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Labor department and defense commission officials indicated today no further action would be taken until Thursday or Friday to try to settle a strike at the Fort Wayne plant of International Harvester Co. Federal mediators are involved particularly because the plant has been manufacturing parts for the navy.  
Mediator David Roadley who spent Sunday night in conferences with company and union officials and then came here by airplane to confer with superiors, is not expected to return to Fort Wayne until Thursday or Friday.  
Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 31.—(AP)—The CIO-United Automobile Workers of America went on strike today at the International Harvester Company's truck works here, disclosed to be filling national defense orders.  
The union threw a picket line across the factory's entrances at 5:30 A. M. and company spokesmen said there would be no attempt to open the plant today.  
Approximately 3,300 production workers had been employed in the works.  
Negotiations meanwhile had shifted to Washington on a contract over which the union and company have bickered since the National Labor Relations Board, as the result of an election last May, certified the UAW as sole collective bargaining agent for workers in the plant.  
John R. Steelman, chief of the labor department's conciliation service, had pledged himself in the nation's capital to work all night for a settlement.  
He had just conferred with David T. Roadley of Cleveland, a Federal conciliator, and John Owens, CIO adviser to Sidney Hillman, labor member of the National Defense Commission.  
Roadley had flown from Fort Wayne after spending the whole previous night going between union and management groups in an effort to bring them together.  
**100 Men Vote Strike**  
A. T. Atwood, of Detroit, regional director of the UAW, reported about 100 local union officers and stewards had voted "unanimously" last night for today's strike, after conferring by telephone with International President R. J. Thomas in Detroit.  
He said the union would add wage demands to points previously insisted upon. The group decided to let maintenance, plant protection and heat treatment workers through picket lines, Atwood reported.  
Charles M. Harrison, works superintendent, commenting on the vote, said the company was "sorry the union has been fit to call a strike, interrupting as it does our normal production, as well as a number of national defense orders in our plant".  
He also mentioned "production of trucks for our customers and the nation's armed forces", but did not give definite figures on the defense orders.  
**Making Trucks for Navy**  
A Washington dispatch said it was understood the plant was making trucks for the Navy.  
Harrison said he was convinced "the big majority of our workers" wanted to stay on the job. He promised a further statement listing "the many concessions the company stood ready to grant".  
The time was the fourth that had been set for the strike. The walkout had been scheduled for 10 o'clock yesterday morning, but before that time Roadley announced a 24-hour postponement.  
The union, after a one-day work stoppage Dec. 4, voted to strike at 5 o'clock last Friday, but when that time came met to consider other action, then, Friday night and Saturday, another vote was taken fixing yesterday morning as the time.  
Before he left for Washington, Roadley listed as principal points of disagreement between union

**Heavy New Income  
Taxes Placed in  
"Must" Category**

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Heavy new income taxes were put in the "must" class today by Senators Connally (D-Tex.) and Johnson (D-Colo.) who said higher rates were needed to help finance defense.  
Connally estimated that the new Congress would have to raise at least \$1,000,000,000 in additional revenue from all sources. He listed personal and corporate incomes, electricity, cosmetics and luxury products generally as the probable fields.  
Specifically, the Texas senator told reporters that substantially higher rates should be imposed in the tax brackets from \$4,000 to \$100,000 or \$150,000.  
"Persons with incomes of \$10,000, \$15,000 and \$20,000 should make a very substantial additional contribution," he declared.  
**On Finance Committee**  
Both Connally and Johnson are members of the finance committee, and will play a part in drafting any new revenue legislation.  
Johnson expressed the belief that "there will have to be heavier taxes on everybody".  
He said that the additional taxes should be earmarked for defense purposes and used over a period of years to retire obligations issued to finance the defense program. In all, he said, it probably would be necessary to issue about \$20,000,000,000 of such defense bonds.  
Connally said he would re-introduce his war-profits tax legislation, providing for rates up to 88 per cent on profits in event of war. He discounted, however, the likelihood of a general sales tax at this time.  
**Many Controlled Tunes  
Will Be Banned from Air  
In Climax of Radio Row**  
New York, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The row between radio broadcasters and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers will reach its climax at midnight tonight when 1,500,000 A. S. C. A. P.-controlled tunes will be banned from the three major networks and most of the nation's stations.  
With the twelfth chime, the five-year contract between A. S. C. A. P. and the broadcasters expires, and no prospect of peace appeared today in the battle over rates to be paid for use of A. S. C. A. P.'s music.  
In place of the tunes of Victor Herbert and George Gershwin, Cole Porter and Irving Berlin, and dozens of equally famous composers, those of Broadcast Music, Inc.—formed by the broadcasters to supplant ASCAP—will be heard over N. B. C., C. B. S. and Mutual Networks and through 648 stations which had been signed up to today.  
A. S. C. A. P.'s songs will still be aired by 137 stations—some of which are included in the 648 which have signed with B. M. I.—but the latter group claims its stations control 95 per cent of the dollar volume of radio business.  
**Liams' Club Will Pick  
Year's Winner Tonight**  
Burlington, Wis., Dec. 31.—(AP)—As the old year speeds toward oblivion, the Burlington Liars Club will meet tonight to decide the word champion liar of 1940.  
From an entry list of more than 6,000 tall tales, submitted by contestants all over the world, the club's officers will choose the winner, runner-up and those deserving of honorable mention.  
As usual, O. C. Hulett, club president, will wield the gavel during the ceremony.  
Mention of the old year's speed called to Hulett's mind one of the contest yarns—a tale of a fast runner.  
A fire attacked a farmhouse. A neighbor, living half a mile away, seized a pail and formed a one-man bucket brigade.  
By making 50 or so trips from his well, this speed merchant soon extinguished the blaze.  
Neighbors marveled at his feat, but were puzzled that the young man carried only half a bucket of water on each trip.  
The hero then examined the pail. It had no bottom.  
**ROCKFORD APPEALS**  
Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—The city of Rockford today petitioned the Illinois Supreme court for a rehearing on its decision requiring payment of the state minimum wage act scale to firemen and policemen.

**'NO PEACE MOVE'  
CHALLENGED BY  
BURTON WHEELER**

**Senator From Montana  
Calls for War's End  
Now in Radio Talk**

(By The Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Senator Wheeler (D-Mont.) in outspoken disagreement with President Roosevelt today on the question of peace in Europe, urged that the United States exert every effort for an immediate end of the war.  
He took direct issue with the President's defense broadcast statement that this nation had "no right or reason to encourage talk of peace" under existing circumstances.  
Wheeler raised the peace question during a radio broadcast last night which was frankly critical of much of the general policy which the Chief Executive outlined to the nation Sunday.  
"The United States," the Montana senator declared, "is no longer trudging along the road to war. We are running—and don't be fooled".  
A short time before the Wheeler address, Verne Marshall, chairman of the No Foreign War Committee, charged at a press conference that the administration already had rebuffed one Nazi peace conference still could be arranged if the administration would approve.  
**Marshall Challenged**  
Marshall's assertions were challenged almost immediately in a state department announcement which said that no "feasible" peace proposals had been submitted to this government.  
Wheeler and Marshall, two leading figures in the ranks of those opposed to administration ideas on British aid and kindred subjects, were joined in their criticism yesterday by a number of others who expressed alarm over some of Roosevelt's Sunday utterances.  
In the opposite camp, meanwhile, there was continued commendation for the policy outlined. The White House reported an extraordinary volume of favorable messages, and Roosevelt was described as "tremendously pleased" by the reception of his address.  
While pro and con discussion of the defense speech commanded general interest, other developments concerning defense bid for attention.  
**Other Developments**  
Col. John H. Jonett, president of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce, responding to Roosevelt's appeal for more planes quickly, promised steady production increases.  
Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau indicated that the administration's "lease-lend" war supply plan, if approved by Congress, would be extended to China and Greece, as soon as pressing British needs were met. China, it was said, would receive such surplus material as could be spared.  
Roosevelt held a lengthy conference with Arthur B. Purvis, British purchasing agent, and Morgenthau. Purvis said they had a "general talk on supply matters and the situation in London", but no fresh British requests had been presented.  
Wheeler, long one of the most energetic congressional critics of the Roosevelt foreign policy, devoted the entire day to preparing the lengthy reply to the President's speech which he delivered last night.  
**Wheeler Has No Fears**  
At the outset he dismissed as

**Celebration**

A civic celebration will make the burning of discarded Christmas trees on the island in Rock river between the two Dixon bridges at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, with music by the Dixon Municipal and Dixon high school bands and a display of fireworks. President Walter Knack of the Dixon Chamber of Commerce announced today. Citizens who wish to deliver their trees for the huge bonfire may leave them on the north river bank between the bridges; while those who desire them called for are asked to notify the Chamber of Commerce, telephone 26.  
The celebration will be a farewell to 1940 and a salute to 1941.

**Terse News**

**Licensed in Iowa—**  
A marriage license has been issued in Clinton, Iowa to Franklin Wallace and Helen L. Humphrey, Walnut, Ill.  
**Licensed to Wed—**  
A marriage license has been issued by County Clerk Sterling Schrock to Max V. Beckenbaugh of Polo and Miss Veronica Judith Ann Szabo of Dixon.  
**"Early" Plowing Record—**  
Elmer Ringer, Sr., farmer of Nelson township, took advantage of the springlike weather last Saturday to do some early plowing for 1941 crops.  
**Grand Detour Grange—**  
The Grand Detour Grange will meet in the town hall there at 8 o'clock Friday evening, with social session and refreshments following the business meeting.  
**Court Convenes Monday—**  
Judge Harry Wheat of Freeport will preside at the opening of the January term of Lee county Circuit court. The grand jury will report to Judge Wheat Monday, Jan. 6 to begin their deliberation.  
**Monthly Chest Clinic—**  
The regular monthly Lee county chest clinic will be held in the W. R. C. building at Amboy Thursday, beginning at 9 o'clock in the morning. Dr. Robert H. Hayes of Chicago will act as clinician.  
**County Board to Meet—**  
The board of supervisors will meet in their January session Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 10 o'clock. Claims against the county are to be filed with County Clerk Sterling Schrock by noon Saturday to be referred to the respective committees.  
**Social Security Agent—**  
Walter R. Borman, manager of the Rockford office of the Social Security Board, will be at the city council rooms in the Dixon city hall from 11 a. m. until noon Thursday, to assist any employer or employee who may need such help.  
**Tomorrow Holiday Here—**  
Tomorrow, New Year's Day, will be observed generally in Dixon as a full holiday. Banks, county and city offices, and stores will not be open for business, and there will be no edition of the Telegraph. Regular holiday regulations will prevail at the Dixon post office.  
**Farm School to Begin—**  
Evening classes for adult farmers will begin at the Dixon high school Monday night at 7:15 o'clock. The annual sessions continue for 10 weeks and all farmers will not be open for business, and there will be no edition of the Telegraph. Regular holiday regulations will prevail at the Dixon post office.

**HITLER VISIONS  
GERMAN VICTORY  
IN COMING YEAR**

**Fuehrer Sends Message  
Of Praise To His  
Soldiers Today**

Berlin, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler told German soldiers in a New Year's message today that "the year 1941 will bring completion of the greatest victory in our history."  
Victory will come, the Fuehrer declared, because Germany stands "armed as never before."  
"It is the will of the democratic war inciters and their Jewish-capitalistic wirepullers that the war must be continued," he asserted.  
Hitler made no mention in his message of President Roosevelt's Sunday night speech calling for increased war aid to Britain.  
In an impassioned New Year's message to National Socialists (Nazis), Hitler said Germany fights for her rights against a vast coalition of democracies, capitalists and Jews who seek to destroy "the Reich".  
But he assured Germans that providence, in a year of extraordinary accomplishment, shielded Germany from a conspiracy of "scurry and hatred."  
With words even exceeding his usual vigor and expression, Hitler denied that Germany or Italy would attempt to conquer the world. On the contrary, "world-conquering nations declared war on Germany," the Fuehrer said.  
**Text of Message**  
The message to the army was issued in the form of an order of the day, which follows:  
"Soldiers!  
In the war year of 1940 the Nationalist armed forces of the greater German Reich won the most glorious victories of unparalleled greatness.  
"With unequalled audacity the enemy was defeated on land, at sea, in the air.  
"All tasks which I was compelled to demand of you were accomplished by your heroic courage and your soldierly ability.  
"You have conquered the fighting forces of our opponents through the power of arms, but conquered morally territories taken possession of by you through your proud conduct and exemplary discipline.  
"Disgrace Eradicated  
"Thus, thanks to your high soldierly qualities, we succeeded in a few months of world historic struggle in giving success supplementarily to the vain, heroic fight of the German armed forces in the World war, and definitely in eradicating the disgrace of oppression in Compeigne forest.  
"I thank you, my soldiers of the army, navy and air force, as your supreme commander, for your incomparable accomplishments. But I thank you also in the name of the entire German people.  
"We remember the comrades who gave their lives in this struggle for the future of our people. We similarly think of the courageous soldiers of allied Fascist Italy.  
"It is the will of the Democratic war inciters and their Jewish-capitalistic wirepullers that the war must be continued. Representatives of the shattering world hope perhaps in 1941 still to achieve what they failed to achieve in the past.  
"We are ready.  
"Armed as never before, we stand at the door of the new year.  
"I know everyone of you will do his duty. The Almighty, however, will not abandon those who, threatened by the world, determined with courageous hearts to help themselves.  
"Soldiers of the National So-

**Closing Hours of 1940  
Bring Lull in Bombing  
of British Isle Today**

**Greeks Claim Capture  
of 1,000 Additional  
Italians**

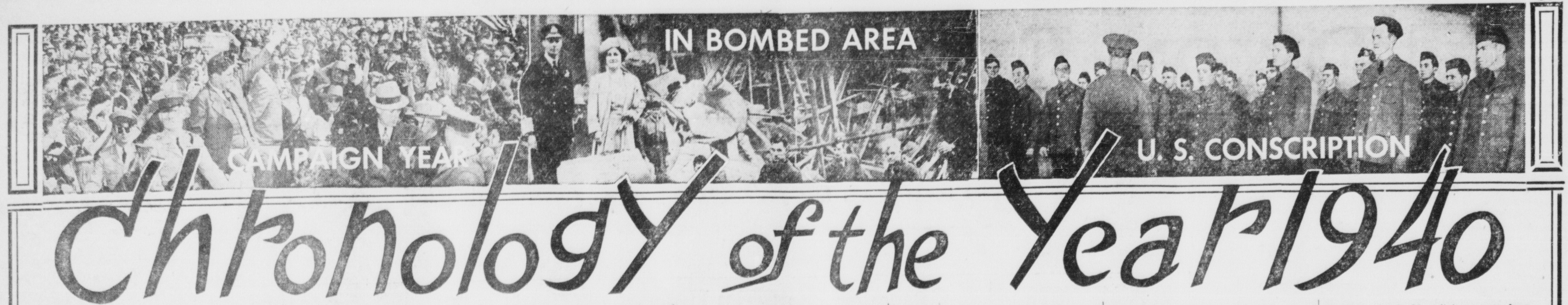
(By The Associated Press)  
The closing hours of 1940 brought a lull in the aerial siege of Britain today while Adolf Hitler in a New Year's message to his troops, declared 1941 would bring completion of "the greatest victory of our history."  
In the Balkan war, the Greeks reported the capture of more than 1,000 new prisoners and said strong Italian counter-attacks had been smashed despite the fact that Premier Mussolini's legions were fighting with renewed intensity.  
The Greek high command said Alpine ski troops, attacked by Greek advance forces, had kicked off their skis and scattered.  
The Italian high command, however, asserted fascist troops had inflicted "considerable losses" on the Greeks in local fighting.  
Although Hitler made no reference to President Roosevelt's fireside message, in which the President flatly predicted the defeat of the Rome-Berlin axis, informed Nazi sources said the speech was stocked with "insults to Germany and Italy," but indicated that Germany did not choose to be provoked.  
**Food Outlook Dark**  
In London, a darker outlook on the new year came from Food Minister Lord Woolton, who urged Britons to eat more home-grown potatoes and oats and warned that "we shall have to do with less meat in 1941."  
Lord Woolton also appealed to housewives to "go easy with the can opener."  
Bad weather on both sides of the English channel kept British and German bombers alike grounded overnight and ushered in the last day of 1940 quietly, but amid forecasts of still more intensive aerial warfare in the new year.  
Not a single German raider was reported seen over Britain where fire-bombers set the heart of London ablaze in a tremendous assault the night before.  
**Fliers Inactive**  
And the R. A. F., urged by Londoners to "give it back to them," also was said to have been forced to give up its almost nightly blows at Germany and the coastal "invasion" bases and blockade ports.  
British Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding, who arrived in Canada, declared last night that the "weight and sting" of German night bombing will have been removed by spring through a new method devised by British technicians.  
Sir Hugh, former chief of Britain's fighter command, is en route to Washington where he will discuss means of standardizing planes and other air equipment manufactured here for Britain.  
He also will give American authorities information on "actual fighting conditions" in the air as Britain has learned it.  
**The Weather**  
TUESDAY, DEC. 31, 1940  
(By The Associated Press)  
Chicago and vicinity: Occasional rain tonight and Wednesday; not much change in temperature; lowest temperature tonight about 36, moderate east and southeast winds. Outlook for Thursday: Occasional rain or snow and somewhat colder.  
Illinois: Cloudy with occasional rain tonight and Wednesday; slightly warmer south and central tonight.  
Wisconsin: Occasional snow tonight and Wednesday, except rain or snow extreme southeast; little change in temperature.  
Iowa: Occasional snow north, and rain south tonight and Wednesday; colder Wednesday night.  
**EXTENDED FORECAST**  
Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Weather forecast for the period from 6:30 p. m. Dec. 31 to 6:30 p. m. Jan. 4, inclusive (Central Standard Time).  
Upper Mississippi Valley: Temperature will average near normal except below normal Minnesota and western Iowa: Mild Tuesday night and Wednesday; cold Thursday and Friday, and by Wednesday night in Minnesota and western Wisconsin. Precipitation near normal, occurring mainly at beginning and again near end of period.  
**LOCAL WEATHER**  
For the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m. Monday: maximum temperature 38, minimum 33; cloudy.  
Sun rises Wednesday and Thursday at 7:22; sets Wednesday at 4:45, Thursday at 4:16.



**LONDONERS ACT  
TO PREVENT ANY  
NEW FIRE RAIDS**

**Compulsory Watchers on  
All Roofs Suggested  
by Newspapers**  
By The Associated Press  
London, Dec. 31.—Demands for compulsory fire watchers on every London rooftop rose from many quarters today as this battered capital utilized an overnight lull in the aerial war to mobilize its resources against any repetition of Sunday night's devastating Nazi "fire raid".  
The press roundly criticized "irresponsible property owners" for failing to take adequate precautions to meet the threat of incendiary bombs and expressed belief that many of the fires which did widespread damage could have been checked had they been spotted in time.  
The Daily Mail declared the city's businessmen were "largely responsible for their own losses" in the Sunday night raid and demanded swift government action to compel employment of fire watchers on all buildings.  
The Times, taking a similar stand, said: "If compulsion were extended to bring every roof under observation more than half the battle against fire raiders would be won in advance."  
"Britain's air chief marshal, Sir Hugh Dowding, now in Canada on official business, said last night that equipment not in being produced in England which would knock Germany's night raiders out of the sky at such a rate they would have to abandon that form of attack before spring."  
"During the past autumn a method has been found of dealing with this night bombing menace and equipment is being produced rapidly," he said. "I confidently believe it will not be very long before all the weight and sting has been taken out of these night bombing attacks."  
Bad weather was believed responsible for the inactivity of the Nazi Luftwaffe last night. Not a single German raider was reported over Britain from dusk to dawn and the usual morning communique of the ministries of air and home security was limited to a laconic:  
"Nothing to report".  
Authoritative sources reported that the Royal Air Force—which has been engaged in almost night raids on Nazi "invasion ports" and other targets—also stayed home last night, presumably because of the weather.  
Lone German daylight raiders were reported over East Anglia and Kent yesterday in the only German activity over Britain after Sunday night's raid.  
**Relief Allocations for  
January Cut One-Third;  
IERC Coffers are Empty**  
Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The \$1,003,949 allocated by the Illinois Emergency Relief Commission to relief clients for January is less than a third of the usual monthly allotments but it is all that remains in IERC coffers at the present time.  
For the past several months the allocation has amounted to \$3,700,000. When funds first were allotted under the appropriation for the current biennium the monthly apportionment was fixed at \$3,900,000 but this later was trimmed by \$200,000.  
Faced by the next general assembly was the prospect of making an emergency appropriation for the remainder of the biennium ending next June 30, including additional funds for next month.  
Allocations of funds by counties for January include:  
Lee, none; Bureau, \$400; Carroll, \$29; DeKalb, \$1,077; Jo Daviess, \$411; La Salle, \$8,032; Ogle, \$103; Stephenson, \$193; Whiteside, \$55; Winnebago, \$9,631.  
**BALL PLAYERS TRADED**  
Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Chicago White Sox announced today the straight exchange of Catcher Ken Silvestri to the New York Yankees for Bill Knickerbocker, veteran utility infielder.





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## EUROPEAN WAR



STATUE OVER PARIS—Mark of the Nazi conqueror, the statue, floats over crushed Paris following invasion. Famed Eiffel Tower can be seen in background.

### JANUARY

In bitter winter weather Finnish troops exacted heavy toll from the Russian invaders. The war between Britain and France and Germany simmered down to occasional naval and air engagements, and maintenance of the blockade.

8—Finland claims destruction of a Russian division. Churchill warns Europe's new trials they cannot keep out of war and asks them to join the allies.

### FEBRUARY

Sympathy for the Finns mounted, but actual aid was deficient and the Russians began breaking through the Mannerheim line.

1—Russians send Sumner Welles to confer with rulers of Britain, France, Italy and Germany.

12—Australian troops, 30,000 strong, land at Suva.

16—Sweden rejects Finnish plea for aid with troops.

17—British raid German prison ship in Norwegian waters, rescuing 326 captives.

20—Russians claim capture of Kovisto, Finland.

24—Prime Minister Chamberlain declares Britain never will conclude peace with present Reich rulers.

### MARCH

The Russo-Finnish war ended just as the allies declared their readiness to intervene on behalf of Finland.

1—Russians enter Vipur, city Finnish city.

11—Allies offer full aid to the Finns.

12—Soviet-Finnish peace treaty signed. Russia getting Karelian isthmus and naval base at Hangoe.

17—Nazi bombers raid British anchorage at Scapa Flow.

19—British bombers raid German air base at Sylt.

### APRIL

The theater of action suddenly swung to Scandinavia, where German troops, warships, paratroopers and fifty volunteers took possession of Norway before the allies could muster sufficient aid.

4—Winston Churchill given general supervision over Britain's fighting strength.

6—Allies announce laying mines off Norway to close loophole in blockade of Germany.

9—Germans occupy Denmark, which surrenders. Oslo, the capital, is taken.

12—Germans capture more Norwegian ports, while British begin general supervision over Britain's fighting strength.

16—British expedition arrives on Norway coast and is battered by German bombers.

30—Germans capture Dombas, key rail town in Norway.

### MAY

Striking by land and air, Nazi troops within three weeks overwhelmed the low countries, penetrated deeply into northern France and forced the British expeditionary force into a costly evacuation of Flanders. British and French high commands were reorganized.

2—British quit southern Norway, but fight on at Narvik.

3—Norwegian army in central Norway seeks peace as British and French withdraw.

6—Allies admit German bombers sank three destroyers, British, French and Polish.

9—Troops return to British port from Norway.

10—Germany invades Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg.

11—British land army in Iceland to prevent seizure by German troops.

11—Allies rush aid to low countries; Churchill succeeds Chamberlain as prime minister.

12—Germans smash through northern Holland; take all of Luxembourg.

13—Germans reach Rotterdam, cutting Netherlands in two.

14—Dutch armies cease resistance.

15—Germans charge rips Meuse line; French retreat.

16—Nazi mass for Balkan raid; believed aimed at Romania.

17—Germans penetrate 35 miles into France while pushing back the British in Belgium.

19—Weidman replaces Gamelin as French commander; Germans within 80 miles of Paris.

21—Germans reach French channel coast, cutting off British-Belgian forces.

22—Britain votes dictatorship; Churchill given supreme power; labor and wealth to be drafted.

23—Allies check German drive on 200-mile front.

24—Germans tighten net around British, French and Belgian troops.

25—Germans claim Calais.

26—France shakes up general staff.

27—Belgium gives up on orders of King Leopold.

28—Trapped allies battle on in inferno of German bombs.

30—Battered British troops reach England from Flanders.

Belgian cabinet deposes Leopold for surrender.

### JUNE

Pressing their advantage, the Germans routed the disorganized French army and imposed a victor's armistice upon France. German troops occupied Paris and the French channel ports.

1—Nazi bomb southern France.

4—Four-fifths of British saved from trap in Flanders.

6—Nazi take Dunkirk; Hitler vows to destroy foe.

8—Last allied troops leave Dunkirk.

9—French launch counterattacks after Nazis gain along Somme and Aisne rivers.

9—French forced back by onslaught of million Germans.

10—Allies evacuate Narvik; Norway surrenders to Germany.

10—Italy declares war on the allies. Germans cross the Seine.

12—Germans cross Marne.

13—French decide not to defend Paris. German troops march in.

14—Germans attack Maginot line in effort to trap million French.

15—Petain becomes premier of France and asks Germany for armistice. Britain declares it will fight on alone.

16—Germans pick Compiègne, scene of 1918 armistice, for parley.

17—France signs German armistice.

18—Nazi terms stop France of arms and land; navy interned.

French government repudiated by British.

24—Germany ends war on France; cease firing order issued.

25—Soviet and Rumania planes clash.

26—Rumania cedes Bessarabia and northern Bukovina to Russia.

26—French colonies in Asia and Africa give up fight.

Rumanians fight Red troops, kill many.

### JULY

England and Germany squared off for the final struggle. Britain acted to take over part of the French fleet, Germany prepared French bases for an attack across the channel.

1—Germans occupy two British islands in channel.

2—Rumania renounces Anglo-French guarantee of her independence.

3—British navy acts to take over scattered units of French fleet, attacking ships that refuse to surrender.

4—British report seizure of 260 French naval vessels.

5—The French government at Vichy, dominated by Berlin, breaks off relations with Britain.

6—French naval squadron at Alexandria yields to British.

8—British deprive Germans of newest French battleship, 35,000-ton Richelieu. German planes and U-boats continue to stab at British.

9—British and Italian fleets battle in Mediterranean.

10—Widespread German bombers attack England; British strike back.

14—Churchill declares Britain ready to fight for years.

15—Gibraltar raided four times.

16—British fleet raid parts of Germany.

19—Hitler calls on Britain to give up the war or face destruction of the empire.

21—Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, under pressure from Moscow, vote to join the Soviet Union.

22—Britain fights on. Foreign Secretary Halifax replies to Hitler's "last chance" offer.

23—France seizes Daladier and former aide.

24—Britain boosts income tax rate to 42½ per cent.

24—Italian bombs kill 46 civilians in raid on Haifa, Palestine.

25—British sends waves of bombers to cripple Italian air and sea power.

29—Germany launches mass air raids on Britain.

Air warfare between Britain and Germany mounted to a tremendous pitch, with thousands of planes attacking, hundreds shot down, guns dueling across the English channel.

1—German planes drop peace pamphlets on England.

2—Royal air force starts more intensive bombing of German factories and naval concentrations.

3—British fleet bomb Germans massed on channel coast for invasion.

5—Italian bombers smash at British bases in Africa.

6—Italians invade British Somaliland.

7—British liner torpedoed in convoy; 453 saved, 20 lost.

7—Italians march into Zella, port on Gulf of Aden; capture two towns in British Somaliland.

12—"Air blitzkrieg" has started, Britain told, as Nazis launch third day of mass raids.

13—Italy claims victory in Egypt.

13—Nazi aerial blitzkrieg covers Britain; industrial heart bombed.

14—French forces, gull chiefs.

14—British bombers hit airplane factories in Italy.

17—Germany announces total blockade of Britain.

17—Italy conquers British Somaliland.

20—Churchill announces plan to leave bases to United States on British territory in Western hemisphere.

21—Rumania agrees to cede southern Dobruja to Bulgaria.

25—British bombers attack Berlin.

27—Axis orders parley after armed clashes in Balkans.

30—Germany and Italy force Rumania to cede part of Transylvania to Hungary.

### AUGUST

German bombing planes continued daily attacks on London and other sections of England. The British retaliated with attacks on Berlin, and railway and industrial centers.

1—Hitler British guns blast at Nazis across channel.

1—British bombers reach heart of Berlin in night raid.

2—Nazi strike at London with super-bombs.

3—British strike at Nazi shipping in harbor.

10—British bombs hit Reichstag building in part of Berlin.

11—Buckingham palace in London damaged by air bombs.

12—Italy opens drive against Egypt.

14—Italy invades Egypt; takes two towns.

14—Four Nazi air raids beaten off by London defense.

17—British and German fleets battle in 100-mile per hour race.

19—British fleet blasts Italian forces invading Egypt.

20—British bombs blast vital Nazi "invasion arteries."

21—British bomb Italians in desert towns four hours.

23—British warships shell West African port of Dakar.

24—British bomb Berlin for three hours.

25—Germany demands King Haakon, end Norwegian monarchy.

27—Germany, Italy and Japan sign an alliance.

### SEPTEMBER

German bombing planes continued daily attacks on London and other sections of England. The British retaliated with attacks on Berlin, and railway and industrial centers.

1—Hitler British guns blast at Nazis across channel.

1—British bombers reach heart of Berlin in night raid.

2—Nazi strike at London with super-bombs.

3—British strike at Nazi shipping in harbor.

10—British bombs hit Reichstag building in part of Berlin.

11—Buckingham palace in London damaged by air bombs.

12—Italy opens drive against Egypt.

14—Italy invades Egypt; takes two towns.

14—Four Nazi air raids beaten off by London defense.

17—British and German fleets battle in 100-mile per hour race.

19—British fleet blasts Italian forces invading Egypt.

20—British bombs blast vital Nazi "invasion arteries."

21—British bomb Italians in desert towns four hours.

23—British warships shell West African port of Dakar.

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25—Germany demands King Haakon, end Norwegian monarchy.

27—Germany, Italy and Japan sign an alliance.

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2—British planes bomb Krupp plant in Germany.

3—Neville Chamberlain resigns from British cabinet.

4—Hitler and Duce confer on war crisis. Serve notice there will be no let up on Britain.

5—Weather balks two Nazi raids on London.

6—British bombers smash at industries to cripple foe.

7—German troops enter Rumania.

11—England orders Britons out of Rumania.

13—British report two enemy ships sunk; 5,000 Nazis killed.

15—British cruiser sinks three Italian destroyers.

16—Gibraltar heavily bombed by planes.

17—British sink 5 Nazi ships in convoy.

17—British reopen Burma road.

18—Axis demands on Greece include abdication of king, pro-axis government and yielding of land.

23—Six weeks of attacks balked invasion. British say.

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Spain arrests former King Carol and Magda.

25—Greece in exile sign war pact with Britain.

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28—British put war resources at disposal of Greece.

British admit loss of Empress of Britain, wrecked by attack by bombing planes.

30—Greeks put up stout defense against Italians.

31—British Greek counterattack shoves back Italians.

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2—British intensify war on Italy.

3—British land troops on Greek territory.

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3—Three armed ships sunk by submarine.

4—Nazi claim.

5—Two U-boats sunk by British.

6—British cut Gibraltar off from Spain.

6—British seize 24 ships of Russian-Baltic nations.

8—Greek troops tighten net on Italian submarines.

9—French submarine scuttled by crew after being crippled by British.

10—British report Italian planes by Greece.

10—Greece reports Italian fleet moving toward Albania.

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## February

1-Two Sioux Falls, Ia., people die in automobile accident west of Oregon. 3-Mrs. A. L. Kaylor dies; Henry W. Leydig, insurance agent, found dead in his office in Worsley building. 6-Gerald G. Garrison dies. 7-Mrs. Josephine Garrison passes away; snowfall totalled 5 inches. 8-Earl H. Prince of Dixon Artificial Ice Co. passes away. 10-Henry B. Benson dies. 12-Mrs. Charles Stanley dies. 13-Death of Mrs. William Reilly. 16-Dixon Dukés, Dixon high school basketball team, clinch North Central Conference championship by beating DeKalb high. 41 to 19. 17-Death of Andrew H. Wohrley. 18-William Myers, 21, Oregon, is killed in train-auto crash; death of William Harkins and Mrs. Anna L. Dwyer. 20-Philip Groth, Amboy, found dead in home. 21-James McLaughlin, Maytown, passes away. 25-Dr. H. E. Marselus of Dixon state hospital and Mrs. Leon Roberts of Polo pass away. 26-Mrs. Charles Mensch and Michael Gorman pass away.

## March

2-Dixon Dukés basketball team eliminated from regional state tournament by losing to Sterling high. 41 to 36. 3-Death of Dr. John Lord, Mrs. Sarah McCarroll and Mrs. Mary Ann Phelps. 7-127 city officials of northern Illinois meet here to form District No. 10 of Illinois Municipal League. 8-Death of George W. Carpenter. 9-Wilbur Ketchen, Paw Paw youth, fatally crushed under a truck. 10-Mrs. J. M. Batchelder, prominent Dixon woman, passes away. 12-Death of Mrs. Amanda E. Smith. 13-Dixon Chamber of Commerce at annual meeting elects Walter C. Knack president; Mayor Wm. V. Slothower, first vice president; Glenn Coe, second vice president; John L. Davies, treasurer; Frances E. Patrick, secretary; Dixon merchants stage first annual treasure hunt. Death of Frank Siefkin. 14-Death of Mrs. Viola Baker and Mrs. Matilda Van Deusen. 15-Death of Ernest Moeller. 17-Springlike weather with temperature of 64 above zero greets Palm Sunday. 19-Mrs. Jos. Rapp and son Jimmie, eight, of Amboy, killed in auto accident. 21-Death of Peter Doyle and Mrs. Edward Friel, East Grove. 22-Cold wave hits area; temperature, 5 above; Robert R. Jacobsen, 36, and Debra Grice, 15, Polo, fatally hurt in auto accident on Pine State Park road; death of William J. Rock. 23-Minimum temperature 3 above; death of Mrs. Flora Belle Shoemaker. 24-Easter Sunday, cloudy and cold. 25-Death of Miss Lisette Drach. 28-Death of Alfred Holm. 30-Death of Mrs. Edward Dysart, Dixon, and Mrs. Margaret C. McCormick, Harmon. 31-Death of Charles E. Larkin.

## April

Death of Miss Clara Hartzell. 2-Death of Chas. W. Schick in Chicago; "Daddy" Schick, was a beloved former Dixonite and a Legionnaire. 3-Sterling's drug store gutted by fire, loss \$18,000; Death of Philip Kerz. 5-Death of Mrs. Bridget Dean, Ashton; and Mrs. Bridget Kiefer, Amboy. 6-Death of Mrs. Mildred Van Zuiden; Chas. H. McKenney, prominent Dixon business man and former banker; Mrs. William E. Adam and James A. Hutchinson. 9-Death of Mrs. Lena Hamill. In the primary Pires-Nangle win in GOP contests. James beaten for Democratic representative nomination. 11-Death of Uria Lepley and Joseph Bauer. 14-Death of William McMullen. 15-Death of Lawrence McDonald. 16-Death of Peter Talty at Elmhurst. 17-Dr. Richard J. Graff made assistant managing officer of Dixon state hospital; death of Ex-Senator Harry G. Wright of DeKalb; in Lancaster, Pa. 20-Death of Wm. T. Green. 21-Edward A. Blackman, 50, dies from injuries sustained when hit by a

car; Mrs. Walter Eastman, Waukegan, killed in crash at Halligan's corners; five hurt. 24-Death of Mrs. Hermelia Rettke, injuries in Sunday auto accident prove fatal to Glenn "Joe" Lambert, 27, Polo. 28-Death of Lawrence Adair; Winfield O'Dell, 18, Walnut, fatally hurt in auto truck crash; three other youths injured. 29-Death Mrs. Morris Sanford.

## May

1-Snow and 33 degrees above zero, greet May day, death of Mrs. Olive Everts, Amboy; Mrs. John Lempke, Grand Detour; Albert J. Hansen, Polo, and Jacob H. Huyett, Dixon. 2-Death of Mrs. Henry Bremer. 4-Death of Mrs. Ida Keister. 5-Death of Harry McCannant and Mrs. James Dummer. 6-Frank Barr, So. Beloit, fatally hurt in auto accident in Palmyra. 7-Tom Sullivan sells drug store to Joe Villiger; Ray Conlin, Oak Park, killed in auto crash on Poplar street; death of August C. F. Pohle. 8-Death of Mrs. Wm. Rusch. 9-1,000,000 wall-eyed Pike placed in Rock River. 10-Death of Mrs. Della Sauer, Nachusa; arm and leg of man found in river at Sterling. 11-Death of Harry Manges and Dr. Luther Goodyear. 12-Another leg and arm taken from river at Sterling. 15-Death of Mrs. Etta Steinback and John Mallach; Sterling torso murder victim identified as Albert Rosenbusch, stock buyer. 16-Death of Mrs. Adolph Gehant. 17-Death of Mrs. Susannah Lohr. 19-Death of Duane Montgomery. 21-Death of George Aschenbrenner, Sr. 22-Miss Anna Johnson and Floyd Thompson passed away. 24-Virgil Wollitz, aged 9, of Steward, is crushed to death under truck. 25-George S. Coakley dies. 26-Death of Jesse Virnich. 27-Henry Prestegard of Lee dies. 30-Dr. F. M. Banker, Franklin Grove physician and former Lee county coroner, dies suddenly.

## June

1-David G. Palmer, Edward Powers and Daniel Blackburn, die. 2-Chas. M. Myers of Oregon, deputy state game and fish warden, and former Ogle county treasurer, passes away. 3-Death of Mrs. H. Coe. 4-Thomas Sullivan, retired pioneer Dixon druggist and Mrs. Edith E. Hardesty pass away. 5-Donald Hoyle, aged 5, fatally hurt when struck by an automobile while crossing highway in front of his home. 8-Death of Stephen H. Fleming, accountant. 10-Mrs. Gwen Hardwell Johnson appointed county superintendent of public welfare; Cletus L. Chaon, West Brooklyn, killed in automobile accident while returning home from a visit in Dixon. 13-Thomas L. Clayton, Dixon City Engineer and World war veteran, dies in Chicago hospital. 14-George Papadakis sells Manhattan Cafe to firm of Costos & Christ of Chicago. 15-Wm. J. McVey, 25, killed in automobile accident near Franklin Grove; death of Mrs. Mary Jane Morris. 17-Death of James Pratt. 18-Hold-up man secures \$60 in stick up of Bonded Service station, Everett street and Squires avenue. 20-Mrs. Marie Rosenbaum leaps to death from Peoria avenue bridge. 22-Death of Russell Hotchkiss of Palmyra. 23-Abraham B. McConnell, 78, killed in automobile accident; road house of George "Red" Jeanguenat on Lincoln highway west of Dixon, destroyed by fire. 24-Death of Jerry Buckle and John Boucher. 26-Mrs. Katherine Lauer dies.

## July

1-Neighbors of Roy Schnell, Lee Center farmer, who was hurt in accident, plow corn for incapacitated man. 3-Miss Caroline Eells, daughter of S. E. Eells, pioneer Dixon banker, passes away; Thomas Toberman takes own life. 4-Dixon's greatest Fourth of July and homecoming celebration, sponsored by Chamber of Commerce, drew record breaking thousands. 6-Mrs. Walter Mumma dies. 9-Death of Mrs. Katherine Murphy. 10-Mrs. Georgia Eakman and J. P. Huftman pass away. 11-Earl Stout, 47, Amboy, takes own life. 15-Suicide of John P. Volland of Maytown; deaths of Mrs. Katherine P. Whitebread, Mrs. Amelia Petrie, John A. Bornkamp and Martin Henert. 15-Former Circuit Judge and Illinois Supreme Court Justice Oscar E. Heard, dies at home in Freeport; death of Mrs. Joseph Russo. 17-Complaint charging kidnapping of Genevieve Full, 16, of Sublette filed against Russell Myers, Sublette. 18-Thos. Snodgrass, Ogle county farmer, shoots self to death. 20-Former Mayor Frank D. Palmer of Dixon passes away. 22-Perry W. Wilhelm dies at home in Dixon. 23-Fourth day of heat wave registers temperature of 99 degrees above zero. 24-Mercury goes to 103, 25-Week-old heat wave breaks after thermometer registers 104. 29-Death of Harvey Buzzard. 30-Dixon's assistant postmaster, Charles Zoeller, passes away.

## August

4-Lee Read, pioneer Dixon livery man and secretary of Dixon Masonic orders, dies. 11-Death of Francis O'Brien. 12-Mrs. Winifred Long, 33, of Glendale, Calif., meets





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"Excessive partiality for one foreign nation and excessive dislike of another cause those whom they actuate to see danger only on one side, and serve to veil and even second the arts of influence on the other. Real patriots who may resist the intrigues of the favorite are liable to become suspected and odious, while its tools and dupes usurp the applause and confidence of the people to surrender their interests." From the Farewell Address.

### Another Year of Wonders

In the days when it was still fashionable to toss Latin phrases into writing to show the author's versatility, they used to call such a year as the one just passed "Annus Mirabilis," the "wonderful year." The poet Dryden popularized the phrase by his poem of that title on the year 1666, which was such a time for England, crowded with great events, the great fire of London, the defeat of the Dutch fleet, and a shower of others.

By any such standard, 1940 was certainly such a year. Free nations fell like ten-pins, and a vast world war found a growing number of people locked in bloody combat from Chungking to Athens.

To prophesy of the year to come would be fun, but it would be dishonest. What will happen during the next 12 months we do not know. All we know is that events of the greatest gravity are in the making. We know that two worlds are at war (we have that on no less authority than Hitler himself) and we know that even during the year, one or the other may become triumphant.

In years past it has been our fate to read in the history books of those tremendous periods when the world was in flux . . . when the Asiatic invasions of Europe were finally hurled back . . . when the Roman Empire at last fell prey to the northern barbarians . . . when the Moors were driven from Spain . . . when Napoleon's name became a charm to frighten the children of a continent. And always we wondered: What must it have been like to live in such drifting, dangerous days?

Well, now we know. We, too, live in just such a time. We know what life is when humanity has launched mighty events, like men who open a dike to the sea only to be swept away on the tide of their own making.

To a child, every new day is as if the world had begun again. The child grows, and begins to think in terms of weeks, of months, then of years. But man, with his short span, never grows so old

that a year loses significance. To the oldest man or woman, the dawn of a new year has a certain fascination. After all, these pages are clean, they have not yet been neatly lined with constructive deeds or splashed with destruction. Both the good and the evil remain to be recorded.

Let the auspices be never so dark and menacing, we cannot be sure. The evils so clearly presaged may never happen at all; there may be on any of those white day-pages good and happy things which have failed to cast any shadow before them. Such is the fascination of the new year, such is its ever-recurring hope.

May we meet the good with thankfulness, the evil with courage, and all with the grace to play our part well. And so—Happy New Year!

### Old Glory on the Seas Again

Four years ago, when the Merchant Marine Act was passed, some people said, "There goes a lot more money down the rat hole.

But now the ships are coming off the ways at a one-a-week rate, and they look good. They are putting Old Glory back on the seas on something of the scale of Clipper days, and they give the Navy the kind of auxiliary ship backing that it must have.

Suppose the United States had confronted its preparedness emergency six months ago with no more foresight in regard to ships than it showed before the World War! Then 90 per cent of American commerce was carried in foreign ships; we literally had no merchant marine worthy of the name.

Even when the new construction program got under way two years ago, the United States merchant fleet was 90 per cent obsolete. But because we passed the act in 1936 and began active construction in 1935, what a different picture greets us today.

Of 179 ships whose construction began in 1938, 48 have been launched and 54 have been completed and are now in service. The fine new American ships are appearing in ports and on shipping lanes that almost never saw the American flag before.

When these ships are all completed, the United States will have a new fleet of 1,500,000 tons, all built to naval specifications, including the only tanker fleet capable of steaming at naval fleet speed and big enough to keep a naval force at sea indefinitely.

More than 100,000 men are now at work in 23 American shipyards operating some 84 shipways.

Most of these ships are unspectacular, but beautiful, seaworthy, fast, and efficient. The America, finest passenger liner ever built in the western hemisphere, is not equal in size to leviathans like the Queen Mary or the Normandie, but the usefulness of such ships is open to question, and for its size the America has no superior in the world. Two more such ships are planned for the Pacific passenger trade, both built so as to be quickly convertible into airplane carriers.

While the shipping of the world goes down in the whirlpool of war, America is building ships to do the world's hauling. They are a vital auxiliary of defense, and a hope for future trade and travel. They are a living demonstration that foresight pays.

The difficult is that which we can do today; the impossible takes a little longer—Fridtjof Nansen, polar explorer.

In Miami the Professional Golfers' Association is planning a match in which they hope to include the Duke of Windsor. Make it polo and hell fall.

## NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

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Washington, Dec. 31 — Leon Henderson, the price holder-downer of the defense commission, has snipped about 20 per cent off strategic zinc, with nothing more than a little inside cooperation. You might say it was done with a telephone call.

Zinc futures had been trending upward for several weeks, finally reached ten cents a pound where-as spot prices were still down around seven or eight cents. Rumors were coming in here that the Japanese were buying for future delivery. Henderson called the board of governors of the New York Commodity Exchange and asked them to cooperate in investigating. They took the bait and ran down each large purchase of zinc in recent weeks.

What the commodities exchange unearthed in its confidential search, was not the Japanese, but some very bad bookkeeping. The buying on open contracts or futures had apparently been all bona-fide hedging. Metals manufacturers generally buy futures to protect their purchases of zinc against a price decline while they are manufacturing it with an alloy. Otherwise, they might find their zinc alloy product selling for less than the price of the raw material.

Even so, you might ask how come the futures were so high. So did the board of governors. Their investigation found many cases in which the hedger had sold his futures zinc, but at the warehouse where the zinc was supposed to be stored, the release had not been registered. The books of the zinc had been bought long since by someone else or the buyer had died or what not. The blame for the high price of zinc futures seemed to the board to lie with the manner in which books were kept.

Presto, price of futures dropped back to level of spot prices at 7 or 8 cents. It has remained there the past few days since the report was completed. Henderson, the price controller, did not have to use publicity, power or pressure. He just asked assistants to go to have their fingers still crossed, because it seemed almost too easy.

Fact is it established what can be done with real cooperation in this defense emergency. At least three officials in three different government departments (who do not want either their names or their departments used) have been heard to say lately that the British should furnish us some accounting of their shipping as they did their finances. In all politeness, if not common fairness, these three American officials in the shipping line have been expecting the British to insist on making some showing of need for ships as they did to Mr. Morgenthau for money.

Their expectation is based on the knowledge that the British are still running ships around the world outside the lifeline traffic to Britain. Some go from New York to China, Japan, Manila, Dutch East Indies and the Malay straits and return to New York with tin and rubber. It would be feasible for U. S. ships to replace these and thus release British vessels for the lifeline traffic in the opinion of these officials.

The number of such ships flying the British flag is comparatively small (although significant), but they are operated by the British under charter from the Danish, Norwegian, Dutch, Latvian, Estonian and other governments is larger. Some of these are running between New York and the east coast, and others are still trading with Hongkong and Australia.

Exact information on the situation has not been available in this government. Until it fully understood the feeling will not be suppressed in several official quarters that the British are not making the utmost use of the ships available for their war effort.

That well-backed new "No Foreign War Committee," started in New York, is almost entirely the product of the exceptional energy and unselfish interest of one man, Marshall. While others were talking about the way the William Allen White Committee was running off with the show, the nationally known dynamic Cedar Rapids, Iowa publisher decided to do something about it.

At the sacrifice of his personal business, he packed his bag, lured his wife away from their home and large family to act as his secretary, and went around the country trying to interest people in his proposal. If you can think of a more difficult self-assignment, you must name it. The World War veteran met many turn-downs from those who shared his views but were less convinced in facing an active public movement for what they believed was right. But Marshall found support.

After some weeks of this purely personal effort, he was able to announce the formation of his group with the unusual declaration that not a cent had been put into its initial organization by anyone excepting himself.

During the past decade, motor vehicle for collections totaled \$3,510,252.908, a rise of 52 per cent over similar collections during the previous decade.

Oklahoma Indians who have renounced tribal relations, may qualify as voters.

Trinity College, Dublin, Ire., was incorporated by royal charter in 1591.

(To Be Continued)

## America's Rearmament

Gains in Defense Minimized Only by View of Task Which Remains to be Done

By EDWARD BOMAR

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A year-end stock-taking occasioned by the holiday lull provided ground today for grim satisfaction, but not complacency, over the progress made in a 12-month toward putting the nation in arms.

In the midst of a world situation of "terrible urgency" with its pleas to speed up quickly the production of warplanes and other munitions, officials were able to summarize these definite advances realized within a year toward the goal of total defense:

The army has more than doubled its manpower and is on the eve of a second doubling. Some 600,000 officers and men already are in uniform, contrasted with 215,488—all regulars—in service at the end of 1939.

New tanks, rifles, motor vehicles and other arms and supplies are actually being received now at a rate suggestive of the volume to come, even though, like warplanes, they lag far behind the combined requirements of the United States and Great Britain.

The navy in a year has expanded in personnel in uniform from 158,814 last January 1 to a present total of nearly 250,000 officers and men, including the marines and reservists called to active duty.

The fleet has been reinforced by 21 new warships and several score auxiliaries. Its commanders rate it the world's strongest, although the transfer of 50 aging destroyers to Britain reduced the number of combat vessels to 321, and not for four years is the projected two-ocean navy expected to be ready.

In air strength, several hundred new warplanes have been put into service within the year, as a prelude to the delivery of thousands "on order."

#### 500 Combat Planes

The army counts some 500 as first-line combat planes, aside from several times as many training craft and outmoded fighters and bombers. Exact numbers are confidential. A year ago virtually none was rated officially a match for new war-tested Nazi and British craft, because of lack of such equipment as leak-proof fuel tanks and armor.

The navy and marine corps air forces numbered 2,145 planes in service a year ago. Eleven months later the total was up exactly 390.

Twice as many youths are in training as army and navy pilots as were a year ago. Production of planes almost has been doubled, although lagging behind schedules proven to have been too optimistic for the over-burdened industry. The output will be about 700 next month, by the estimate of William S. Knudsen, arms production chief, compared with 351 in January, 1940. A year earlier the total was just 157.

Light tanks for the army's new armored divisions are rolling off assembly lines now at the rate of four or more a day. Less than a year ago the war department acknowledged possession of just 10 of late design, aside from obsolete models. Mass production of 25-ton medium tanks and heavy monsters of 55 tons or more is only in the make-ready stage.

#### Camps Nearly Ready

New camps and cantonments for an army of 1,400,000, hardly thought of a year ago as a peacetime possibility, are three-quarters or more completed.

New facilities for warship and merchant shipping have been added at almost every port. Actual work is well along on the first of a billion-dollar string of government munitions plants.

Eight new Atlantic offshore bases acquired from Britain have been surveyed, some are under construction, and troops have been ordered to the base in Newfoundland.

With the selective service system in actual operation, a basis has been laid to meet with a minimum of delay any demands for manpower.

Only in wartime 1917-18 could the armed forces report such swift progress in bolstering defenses to meet any threat to American security in a disordered world.

Overshadowing this bright side

of the defense picture loom so many deficiencies and discouraging delays, however, that the men at the top directly concerned with overcoming them are unwilling to do more than acknowledge the limited though substantial progress made. The other side of the picture, portraying the nation swinging into 1941 still utterly unprepared for total war, demands their full attention.

#### Only Preliminaries Done

Relatively, only preliminaries have been cleared away toward realizing the nation objective of attaining maximum power in two years. It is a formidable undertaking, comparing with the seven years taken by Adolf Hitler's Germany, and the four required by Great Britain, by the estimate of Prime Minister Winston Churchill. The 1940 advances were almost entirely the result of steps to reinforce defenses taken long before the Nazi blitzkrieg and the collapse of France put a new face on the outlook for American safety in a world of brute force.

Of the immediate appropriations and long-term commitments made by congress for national defense and neutrality enforcement during the year, aggregating \$17,692,227,000, a major portion became available only in September.

This evidence of the country's reluctance to undertake the vast spending is the primary reason, in the official view, why the defense picture is not less somber now.

At the year's end, approximately 85 per cent of the orders had been placed to carry out a program designed to make this country the world's mightiest on sea and in the air and a force to be reckoned with on land.

#### Months Must Elapse

Months must elapse, by official schedules, before their full impact is felt with the conversion of contracts into munitions, and of raw recruits into trained soldiers, sailors and fliers.

Regardless of the volume of aid that may be spared in the meantime to help decide the outcome of the battle of Britain, relatively little further bolstering of American defenses may be expected before late summer.

By then, whether the United States is still at peace or in war, it is hoped by President Roosevelt's new four-man office of production management that the monthly output of warplanes will have been stepped up to 1,500 or more, toward the rate of 3,000 a month set for early 1942, and the eventual goal of 50,000 a year fixed by Roosevelt.

By fall, such automobile plants as Packard and Ford are scheduled to be producing airplane motors to supplement the output of the existing engine concerns.

#### New Powder Plants

Two large new powder plants are due then to begin full operation, along with a host of other new government-financed factories now being hurried to completion to turn out high explosives, to load shells and otherwise assure adequate ammunition for at least two million men.

Unless unexpected lags develop, several plants will be producing medium 25-ton tanks by mass production methods, and presumably production will have started of heavy tanks weighing 35 or more tons each.

By fall the army hopes not to have ground to complain of shortages of such vital arms as anti-tank and anti-aircraft guns, 105 millimeter artillery for the infantry and armored divisions.

The navy before the year's end expects to put into commission the new 55,000-ton battleships Washington and North Carolina, already launched, which are the first of a line of new capital ships destined to become the backbone of the two-ocean navy.

Long before fall, the army's mass training system is due to be in full swing, with recruits provided in ample numbers by selective service. By late summer, the army air corps hopes to be training new pilots at the rate of 12,000 a year, with the navy's fliers winning wings at a correspondingly increased rate.

day at the Loveland Community House.

Unity Guild—Mrs. A. G. Burnham and her daughter, Miss Edna will entertain members of the Unity Guild at an all-day meeting and picnic luncheon on Thursday. Those attending are asked to bring their own table service and needlework.

Ladies Aid—The Ladies Aid society of St. Paul's Lutheran church will hold its January meeting Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

E. L. C. E.—Arnold Shultz will show colored moving pictures on Cuba and Florida when the E. L. C. E. of Grace Evangelical church meets at 7:30 p. m. Thursday at the church.

W. M. S.—The Kingdom Missionary society will elect officers at an all-day meeting Thursday at the home of Mrs. Anna Stevens. Those attending are asked to bring their Thank Offering boxes.

Class Meeting—The E. F. B. class of St. Paul's Lutheran Sunday school will meet at the home of Mrs. George Christianson, 922 Galena avenue, at 8 p. m. Thursday. Mrs. Harry Moore, Mrs. Ray Cramer, and Miss Ida Court-right are to be Mrs. Christianson's co-hostesses.

King's Daughters — Mrs. Edna Plack and Mrs. Charles Smith will entertain King's Daughters of the Grace Evangelical church at 2:30 p. m. Thursday.

Townsend Club No. 1 will hold its regular meeting in Woodman hall tomorrow evening.

The Pan American Airways system has been in operation 13 years. It has grown from a 90-mile airline to a system of 67,100 route miles serving 53 countries and colonies.

## HOLD EVERYTHING



"Mighty fine looking outfit you've got here, Captain—glad to be a member!"

## Church News

#### BETHEL CHURCH

A Watch Night service is planned for Bethel United Evangelical church, beginning at 9 o'clock tonight and continuing until midnight. The service is divided into three periods, with the first hour in charge of the Intermediate League, which will conduct a praise service, with special music and service. The Junior League will also assist in this period. The second hour will be a fellowship hour in the basement in charge of the Senior League. The last period beginning at 11 p. m. will be held in the church sanctuary, in charge of the pastor, the Rev. R. S. Wilson, who will bring a suitable message for the occasion, and conduct a consecration service at the beginning of the New Year. Friends are welcome to any part of this service, or the entire evening. Prayer will be offered especially for the coming revival meetings, which will be held in the church, Jan. 5-19, with the Rev. A. F. Mahler, of New York State as evangelist.

The regular, midweek, prayer service will be held in the church on Wednesday evening. Special prayer meetings will be held in the church also on Thursday and Saturday evenings, to pray for the revival service.

The congregation has been divided into six groups for prayer meetings on Friday evening of this week, as follows:

Group No. 1 — Woosung and rural — In charge of Roy. Hout, Lewis Ziegler and Oliver Harris. The service will be held at the Oliver Harris farm near Woosung.

Group No. 2 Swissville. At the home of LeRoy Gaul, 525 Second avenue. Committee — LeRoy Gaul, Mrs. Carl Hess and Ruth Barton.

Group No. 3 North side, west of Benton Ave. meets at the home of Robert Fulmer, 344 W. Everett St. Committee — Scovel Walker, Mrs. Fulmer and J. A. Myers.

Group No. 4 Northeast East of Benton Ave. at the home of R. K. Weaver, 710 Assembly Place. Foster Thompson, Mrs. K. Ottinger and Elsa Lengfelder in charge.

Group No. 5 South central — At the home of Frank Forman, 1501 Peoria Ave. Committee — Everett Donoho, Frank Forman, Mrs. Max Aughenbaugh in charge.

Group No. 6 Southwest district, will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, 319 Douglas Ave. Committee in charge are Oval Albright, Fred Hoffman, Harrison Wadsworth and Mrs. Nelson.

Mr. Mahler the evangelist is expected to arrive in time to preach his first message next Sunday morning. Services will be held for two weeks every evening except Saturday evening. The pastor, R. S. Wilson, will conduct a service for young people under 16 years of age, each evening of the

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home with the Rev. H. C. Hightower of the Mt. Morris Lutheran church officiating and burial will be in Fairmount at Polo.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Carl Bon of Minneapolis, Minn.; one son, Harold, of Polo; four grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Frances Beard of Polo, a twin sister with whom she lived, Mrs. Barton Unger of DeKalb and Mrs. George Etnyre of Oregon; and one brother, George Strickler of Polo.

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# Welcoming of New Year Brings Evening of Gaiety

## Dixon Is Anticipating Big Night Out, Tonight

Numerous Parties Are Planned for Dixonites Who Are Eager to See Old Year Out and New Year In

The old year is bowing out—whiskers, scythe, hour-glass and all. Abandonment of 1940 in favor of the little New Year, 1941, will be celebrated at innumerable parties beginning tonight and extending on through Wednesday when the holiday gaiety will be climaxed with a series of open house receptions.

It has long been traditional that guests be received at the Walgreen estate, "Hazelwood", on New Year's Eve, to ring out the old year and welcome the new. Again tonight, the tradition will be kept, with the junior Charles Walgreens of Chicago resuming the holiday custom established by Mr. Walgreen's late father, Charles R. Walgreen, and his mother, who is now in the west.

This evening's party is to be a masquerade, and it is expected that the elaborate disguises will be both humorous and beautiful. Dinner will be served at the midnight hour. Mrs. Walgreen, Jr., the former Miss Mary Ann Leslie of Chicago, and her husband arrived at "Hazelwood" several days ago to complete plans for the event.

A downpour on Christmas eve in Arizona is news, but it was through the rain the silver lights of Mrs. William Wrigley's giant outdoor Christmas tree glowed as her guests drove into the Biltmore grounds to spend Christmas with Mrs. Hugo Dalmor of Evansville, Mrs. Charles Walgreen, Sr. and her friend, Mrs. Lola Harney of Chicago, arrived just in time for Christmas eve dinner, and the John Stephens (Ruth Walgreen), came in from their ranch to spend Christmas with her mother.

Mrs. Dalmor did not forget that grown-ups feel just a bit wishful for the things of childhood on Christmas. She remembered them all, from the star on the top of the shining tree to the flaxen-haired doll, sitting in queenly fashion among the mysterious packages.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beier will be continuing a custom, too, by entertaining at their Rock river shore home, "Beiercliff", with an informal open house. Several couples who have spent the past five New Year's eves together will be among those making up the guest list for tonight's party. As the old year bows out at midnight, Mr. and Mrs. Beier will be seating their party for a candlelight supper.

For a number of years, progressive dinner has been included in the New Year's Eve party plans for a half dozen Dixon couples, who expect to be dining together in this delightful fashion again this evening.

An 8 o'clock turkey dinner will usher in an evening of fun to-night for New Year's Eve guests of Virgil Collins, who will be entertaining at his cottage south of Castle Rock. His party will include Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Conkey of Forreston, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Worsley, Mr. and Mrs. William Haeffiger, and Mr. Frank J. Robinsons, Mr. and Mrs.

D. C. Bryant and Miss Josephine Nichols.

Card games will follow the dinner.

A record-breaking crowd of dance-goers is expected to turn out at the Elks Clubhouse this evening, when Dixon Elks will be repeating the type of New Year's Eve party they have given for the past several years. Dancing begins at 10 o'clock, continuing until 3 a. m., with distribution of midnight favors as a special feature of the gayety. Arthur Haugh's orchestra from Madison, Wis., a band which made its initial appearance in Dixon at the Elks' party last New Year's Eve, has been engaged for tonight's dance program.

The Edward Ortgiesens of Nelson will be following their usual New Year's Eve custom of the past 20 years this evening, when they plan to celebrate Mrs. Ortgiesen's birthday anniversary with an informal open house. About 50 guests are expected from Chicago, Dixon, Nelson and Sterling.

Attending from Chicago will be two of Mrs. Ortgiesen's brothers and their families, the Edward and Hugh G. Gardners. Another brother, John V. Gardner, has

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## Calendar

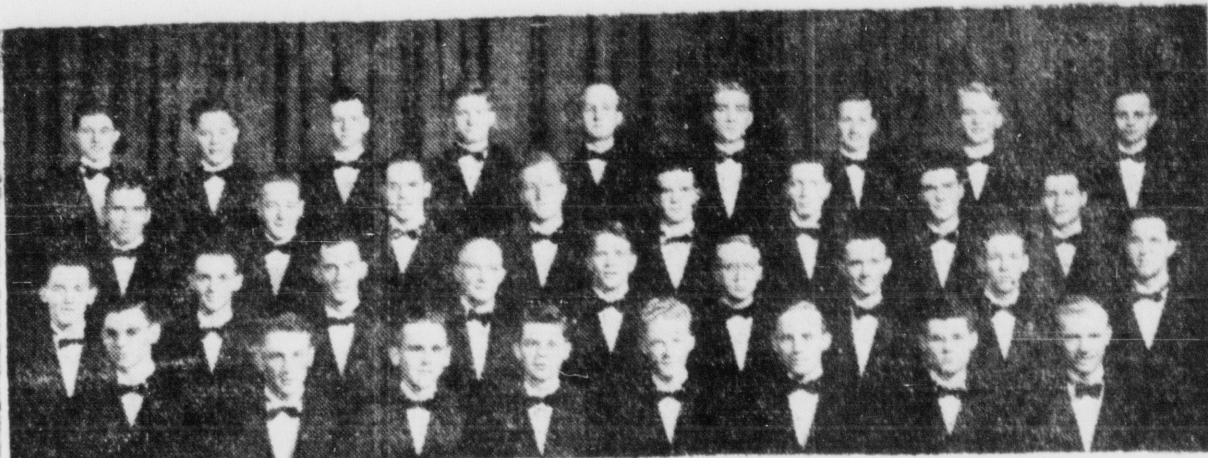
**Tonight**  
Dixon Lodge of Elks—Annual New Year's Eve dance; Harry Haugh's orchestra of Madison, Wis.  
Members of Brethren church—Watch party, 8 p. m.

**Wednesday**  
Oberlin College Men's Glee club—Will present concert in Loveland Community House auditorium at 8 p. m., under auspices of Dixon chapter, D. A. R. for benefit of British War Relief.

**Thursday**  
Foreign Travel club—In ladies' lounge, Loveland Community House; Mrs. Ezra Matthews of Sterling will display foreign doll collection.  
War Mothers—Will sew for British War Relief at home of Mrs. Rose Barrus, 1 p. m.

St. James Aid society—All-day meeting; Mrs. Edward Hand, hostess.  
Kingdom Missionary society—All-day meeting; Mrs. Anna Stevens, hostess.  
E. L. C. E. Grace Evangelical church—At church, 7:30 p. m.

## Oberlin Glee Club to Sing Here, New Year's Night



Holiday musical activities in Dixon include a program to be presented by the Oberlin College Men's Glee club in the Loveland Community House auditorium on the first evening of the New Year, Jan. 1. The 35 Oberlin college entertainers will be appearing here under auspices of Dixon chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, for benefit of the Dixon Society of British War Relief.

The singers hail from 10 states stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, as well as two foreign countries, China and India. They come to Dixon as one of the stops on their annual Christmas tour, including Tiffin, Ohio; Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Ottawa and Chicago, Ill.; Davenport, Iowa; Toledo, Ohio; and Detroit. Wednesday evening's program is scheduled for 8 o'clock. Tickets will be available at the door.

## Amboy Couple to Have Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Nicholson of Amboy are issuing invitations to relatives and friends for an informal reception which they are planning for Sunday afternoon, Jan. 5, in celebration of their golden wedding anniversary of Jan. 7. They will be receiving between 1 and 4 p. m.

The couple were married in Amboy. Fred Nicholson of Lee Center is their only son.

Mr. Nicholson formerly operated a livery stable, and later was in the garage business. He is now retired.

Guests from Chicago, Amboy and Dixon have been invited to attend the anniversary event.

## WILL SEW FOR WAR RELIEF

Needlework for British War Relief will occupy the Lee county chapter of War Mothers when they meet at the home of Mrs. Rose Barrus, 101 Hennepin avenue at 1 p. m. Thursday.

**HOLIDAY VISITORS**  
Henry Hewitt of Des Moines, Iowa and his son, Charles, a freshman at the University of Arizona in Tucson, spent Monday in Dixon as guests of Mr. Hewitt's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morris.

**HOLIDAY VISITORS**  
Mrs. Eda Honey of Chicago is the holiday guest of her brother-in-law and sister, the Enos Keithleys of North Ottawa avenue. The Keithleys' son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Enos Keithley, Jr. of Naperville, were recent guests of his parents.

**FROM SPRINGFIELD**  
Mr. and Mrs. John Devine have returned from a holiday visit with Mrs. Devine's mother, Mrs. M. E. Gorman of Springfield.

**TO PORTLAND**  
Miss Grace Steel expects to leave soon for Portland, Ore. to visit her sister, Mrs. Leonard Underwood.

**ELKS' AUXILIARY**  
Members of the Elks' Auxiliary will meet for their bi-weekly bridge games at 2 p. m. Friday at the clubhouse.

It has been proved that of an average of 32 cents represents taxes and only 68 cents represents that part actually going for gasoline.



We deeply appreciate every opportunity we have had to serve you and look forward to many more in 1941.

**Special New Year's DINNER**  
— Choice —  
TURKEY, DUCK, CHICKEN ..... 60¢ up  
TENDER PRIME STEAK STEAKS  
Special Breakfast Served Daily — 25¢

**Ideal Cafe**  
Glen "Skip" Camery, Chef  
ANDY KARYDES, Prop.

## Walnut Couple Observe Their Fiftieth Year

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Gramer of Walnut received nearly 100 guests at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Watkins, on Sunday in celebration of their golden wedding anniversary of Dec. 25. Gold and white appointments were used for a bridal lunch, served by the couple's children. Clusters of golden bells, baskets of flowers, and 50 yellow roses presented by their children, decorated the Watkins home.

Out of town guests included Mrs. Polly Lambden, Mrs. Mattie Sapp, the Misses Lotie and Luella Harling, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gramer of Wyandot; Mrs. Lora Rudiger and son Charles, Spring Valley; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dremann and Everett Martin of Princeton; Mrs. Emma Brunhold, Chicago; and Leonard Bohm, Manlius.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Gramer was Miss Alice Whitver. She was a daughter of the Jerry Whitvers. The couple were married at the home of her parents near Walnut.

The Gramers have always lived in the vicinity of Walnut, since their marriage, and have resided at their present farm home since 1917.

The couple have seven children and 14 grandchildren. Their children include Frank Gramer of Princeton, Mrs. George Wolf of Normandy, Mrs. Lester Watkins of Walnut, Mrs. Ben Fenn of Springfield, S. D., Arthur Gramer of Kasheer, Miriam Gramer of Chicago, and Alice Gramer, who resides with her parents.

On Christmas Day, the Gramers entertained their children at a family party.

## ENTERTAIN FOR MINNESOTANS

Holiday visitors from Arkansas, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald E. Thomas of Little Rock, were special guests when Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Thomas entertained last evening. The two men are brothers.

Mrs. Frank Kingsley and Edwin E. Merrick scored high in the card games. At the tables were Mr. and Mrs. Archie Brown, the Kingsleys, the Merricks, and the Arkansians.

Tomorrow, the Crawford Thomases will be receiving New Year's dinner guests, in further compliment to the host's brother and sister-in-law. Their party will include Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thomas of Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. John McInay of Polo, Major and Mrs. Olin McInay and daughter Martha of Des Plaines, and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Randall of Dixon.

**FROM BAY CITY**  
The senior George Fluhrs returned to Dixon yesterday after a week's holiday visit with their son's family, Mr. and Mrs. George Fluhrs, Jr., in Bay City, Mich.

**TURKEY DINNER**  
AND A LOT OF OTHER GOOD THINGS WILL START YOU OFF TO A HAPPY NEW YEAR  
— AT —  
**THE HICKORIES**  
GRAND DETOUR  
Ph. Dial 802  
All Day - Evening Service

## NEWLYWEDS WILL RESIDE IN AMBOY

Miss Mildred Aubert, eldest daughter of the Ben Auberts of Maytown, and George Meade of Amboy were married Thursday morning in a 9 o'clock nuptial at St. Patrick's Catholic church in Maytown. The Rev. Father Urban Halbmaier performed the single ring ceremony.

Miss Marie Faivre presided at the organ and sang the mass, Miss Della Mae Fenwick and William Fenwick were the couple's attendants, Joseph Quest and Francis Burke served the mass.

A wedding breakfast at a Dixon tea room followed the ceremony. After the middle of January, Mr. and Mrs. Meade will be at home on the Meade farm at Maytown. The bride has been employed at the J. J. Cole home in Amboy for the past two and a half years.

**SOUTH DIXON CLUB**  
Mrs. Alfred Tourtellott has invited members of the South Dixon Community club to her home for an all-day meeting and picnic luncheon on Friday.

## Veronica Szabo Is Polo Man's Bride

Miss Veronica Judith Ann Szabo, fourth daughter of the Joseph Szabos of rural route 3, exchanged nuptial vows with Max Victor Beckenbaugh, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Beckenbaugh of near Polo, at 9 o'clock this morning at the rectory of St. Patrick's Catholic church. The Rev. Father James D. Burke performed the ceremony.

The couple's only attendants were her sister and brother, Miss Evangeline and Joseph Szabo, Jr. Others present for the nuptial service were the immediate families of the bridal pair, including another brother of the bride, Louis Szabo, who is in naval training at Pensacola, Fla., and Howard Elliott of Polo.

The bride wore a gown of ivory satin, designed with a square neckline, Egyptian sleeves, and a floor-length skirt. A satin coronet, caught with orange blossoms, held her short tulle veil in place, and she carried white roses in an arm bouquet. Her strand of pearls was a gift from her bridegroom.

Her sister, as maid of honor, was dressed in aqua taffeta, with a peach-colored veil. Her bouquet contained Talisman roses.

Pink and white appointments were chosen for the wedding breakfast, served for the immediate families and the Rev. Father Burke, at the home of the bride's parents. The four-tiered cake was iced in pink and white.

After a week's stay in Chicago, Mr. Beckenbaugh and his bride will return to Polo to reside with the bridegroom's parents. This morning's bride has been employed at the Freeman shoe factory. Mr. Beckenbaugh, a graduate of Polo Community high school, farms with his father.

**TEXAS GUESTS**  
Mr. and Mrs. Rae Skillern of Dallas, Tex., arrived in Dixon on Tuesday to spend the New Year holiday with Dr. and Mrs. Z. W. Moss at "Whitthorne". Dr. and Mrs. Moss and their guests will be among those attending the Walgreen party tonight at "Hazelwood."

## Angel Wings Sprout in Dixon as Citizens Wave Farewell to Dying Year

Cross-Section of Local Population to Welcome New Year With Clean Slate and Resolutions Both Serious and Frivolous

By LOIS J. STIMELING and DON DANIELSON  
(Committee on Way and Means)

Breathes there a man (or woman, either, for that matter) with soul so dead, who never to himself (or herself) hath said, "By cracky, next year I'm going to do differently. Just watch me I'm turning over a new leaf! I'll be a better husband, wife, son or daughter."

Tonight as 1940 flickers and goes out like the ashes on your hearth, little pink wing sprouts are beginning to crop out on human shoulders and the light of angel halos brightens the encircling gloom of the decayed 366 days.

... BUT ... by January 13 the wings may look more like faded papier-mache, and the halos, like the fallen tinsel from a discarded Christmas tree.

However, New Year's resolutions soften the fault of a later infraction and there's some comfort in having your critics remark, "Well, poor fellow, he meant well, anyway."

Many a fine intention is trampled under the boots of the great human mob, pushing and driving to get ahead of the parade, but the departing year finds us all 12 months older, mellowed and maybe just a little wiser. And the bright new year before us presents a clean, unwritten page in the chapter of our lives. On it we are permitted (to some extent) to write what we will and as a preface a prologue and an introduction, we state the determinations for a better existence ahead.

In an effort to find what the death of 1940 and the birth of 1941 means to the citizenry of Dixon—just what you and your neighbors are planning in times we are continually told are "troubled"—a cross-section survey of resolutions has been made of the city's business and professional men and women, its "butchers and bakers and candlestick-makers."

From their suggestions you, too, may write in your book of good and by 1942 your name, like Abou

Ben Adhem's, may lead all the rest.

Chester Barriage's resolution, a "fooler" which is bound to be taken with the proverbial grain of salt, is of the blanket variety and reads: "No one should give Christmas gifts to anyone." And in a sort of postscript, the genial "Chet" adds: "It's awfully embarrassing to thank someone for a beautiful tie—and then find out they gave you socks."

A business-like young Telegraph carrier salesman, Stanley Stonecipher, who has taken to rabbit-raising as a sideline, is determined that: "When I get ahold of some alfalfa, I'm not going to wait 'til I run out before I try to get some more, for if I do, I'm afraid my rabbits will do without for a month."

There apparently is more than meets the eye in this resolve, voiced by Rae Arnold: "On my next fishing trip into Wisconsin, I resolve to catch more than one fish, regardless of size." Secondly, Mr. Arnold promises to: "Concentrate on mind-reading, in order that I can satisfy all bingo players."

"I never make resolutions," Dr. R. E. Worsley declares, then adds: "But if I did, I'd resolve to keep on getting as much fun out of life as possible."

**City Fire Chief Samuel Cramer**

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## ENTERTAIN FOR ARKANSAS COUPLE

Holiday visitors have filled the minds of a number of Dixonites since Christmas, and among these visitors are Mr. and Mrs. Horace Street of Minneapolis, Minn., guests of Mrs. Lester Street. Last evening, three couples were invited to Mrs. Street's home to honor the Minnesotans, including Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Worsley, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Gearhart, and the H. F. Walders.

The Horace Streets expect to remain in Dixon until after the New Year holiday.

## ASHTON GIRL IS PLANNING BRIDAL

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Musselman of Ashton are making known the approaching marriage of their daughter, Katherine Mary, to Ralph M. Rapp, which will be solemnized at 4 p. m. Friday, Feb. 7. Miss Musselman is planning a home wedding.

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## Better Write 'Em Down

Some Good New Year Resolutions

- .. pay by check—it's safer
- .. keep valuable papers in a Safe Deposit Box
- .. Save a little every month
- .. bank at the City National Bank in Dixon

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## I Want You Young Mothers in Illinois To Know

About this IMPROVED Vicks Way that Relieves Misery of CHEST, COUGHING COLDS

When your child is suffering with a cold, get right after misery... in a hurry... with a "VapoRub Massage." This wonderful treatment—perfected by Vicks staff of Doctors—is a better way to use time-tested Vicks VapoRub and make its valuable poultice-and-vapor action more effective. It's called the "VapoRub Massage" and it's remarkably simple, remarkably quick.

First, you massage Vicks VapoRub for 3 minutes on IMPORTANT RIB-AREA OF BACK as well as throat and chest. Spread a thick layer on the chest and cover with warm cloth. Then let this MORE THOROUGH treatment go to work!

It eases irritation, coughing, muscular tightness or soreness, helps break up local congestion in upper air passages, makes breathing easier... and so relieves the child's misery, relieves you of worry! BE SURE! To get the benefits of this improved Vicks treatment—good for both adults and children—use only genuine, time-tested Vicks VapoRub.



PENETRATES irritated air passages with soothing medicinal vapors, inhaled with every breath. STIMULATES chest and back like a warming, comforting poultice or plaster.

**A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

For 1941, we hope everyone dear to you is gainfully employed and that you will meet with success in private and business ambitions.

We have faith in America. We have faith in our community. We have faith in all good aims; may 1941 make only the good dominant!

**THE DIXON NATIONAL BANK**  
"The Bank With the Chimes Clock"  
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TODAY'S MARKET REPORT

**Chicago Livestock**  
Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—(U.S. Dept. Agr.)—Salable hogs 24,000; total 33,000; opened around 10 lower than Monday's average, later trade generally 15-20 off; top 7.10; bulk good and choice 6.85-7.05; most 240-270 lb. butchers 6.75-9.00; some 270-310 lb. average 6.60-8.00; good packing sows 400 lbs. down mostly 5.75-6.00; few light weights around 6.10; 400-550 lb. kinds 5.50-7.50.  
Salable cattle, 7,000; salable calves 1,200; fed steers predominately scarce, yearlings comparatively scarce, steer and yearling trade unevenly steady to 25 low, mostly 15-25 down on medium to good weighty steers; choice kinds and good and choice yearlings steady; prime offerings held above 15.25, several loads choice weighty steers bid well above 14.00; but bulk 11.00-13.00 either without bids or bid fully 25 down; few early sales at 9.75-12.75, steady to weak; all the stock scarce and steady; heifers in fresh receipts very scarce; choice 990 lb. heifers held from Monday; top for this class 12.75; most offerings 9.50-11.00; cutter cows 5.75 down; beef cows 6.25-7.25; practical top weighty sausage bulls 7.75 although 7.55 paid for outstanding offerings; choice vealers from early at 12.50-12.00; light and medium weight kinds closing 25 lower at 12.00 down; thin fat cattle very scarce.  
Salable sheep 5,000; total 5,000; late Monday fat lambs around 25 lower; but good and choice fed westerns and natives 9.40-60; few loads 9.70; sheep steady; double handweight western ewes 5.00; today's trade; fat lambs generally steady; bulk good and choice handy weights early 9.50-60; few medium to good kinds 9.00-25; choice kinds held upward to 9.75; fat sheep steady; small lots natives and fed western ewes 3.50-4.75.  
Unofficial estimated receipts for Thursday: hogs 28,000; cattle, 6,000; sheep 10,000.

**Chicago Produce**  
Poultry live, 27 trucks; easy; hens over 5 lbs. 16, 5 lbs. and under 16; leghorn hens 11-12; springs 4 lbs. up colored 19, under 4 lbs. colored 18, white 18; geese 12 lbs. down 13, over 12 lbs. 11½. Other prices unchanged.  
Butter, receipts 661,688; easy; creamery, 93 score 32½-33¼; 92, 32¼; 91, 31¾, 90, 31¼; 89, 30¾; 88, 30; 90 centralized carlots 31¾-32.  
Eggs, receipts 13,424; easy; fresh graded, extra firsts 23, current receipts 21¼; other prices unchanged.

No Peace Move

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"fantastic" any idea of a nazi invasion of America, and professed no fear "of wild boasts of American conquest by Stalin, Hitler or Mussolini".

When he came to the question of bringing about peace, he said that although "we stand as close to the brink of war as we stood in January of 1917—some people still oppose a European peace".

"The President in his speech last night ridiculed the idea of peace in Europe. x x x.

"Regardless of when or who is proclaimed victor in the present war—it cannot last forever. Peace—fleeting though it may be—will eventually come to Europe. At some time in the future representatives of England and Germany will sit around a table—some time they will agree upon peace—and until that day, the world suffers. Each of us—from the President of the United States to the most humble citizen—should exert his every effort for peace now. x x x.

"I firmly believe the German people want peace just as any other people prefer peace to war—and the offer of a just, reasonable and generous peace will come quickly and effectively humble Hitlerism and break the morale of the German people than all the bombers that could be dispatched over Berlin. x x x.

**Suggested Basis**  
"A working basis for a just peace might involve among other factors the following:

1. Restoration of Germany's 1914 boundaries with an autonomous Poland and Czechoslovakia.
2. Restoration of independent France, Holland, Norway, Belgium and Denmark.
3. Restoration of Alsace-Lorraine to France.
4. Protection of all racial and religious minorities in all countries.
5. Internationalization of the Suez canal.
6. No indemnities or reparations.
7. Arms limitation throughout the world."

**Down Road To War**  
"Just as I love the United States," he continued, "so do I dislike Hitler and all that he symbolizes. x x x No anti-British feeling dictates my opposition to the evasion or repeal of the Johnson and neutrality acts. I am opposed to American convoy of British ships. I oppose all these because they lead us down that road with only one ending—total, complete and futile war. x x x.

"Remember—if we lend or lease war materials today, we will lend or lease American boys tomorrow. Last night we heard the president promise that there would be no American expeditionary force—but we received no promises that our ships and sailors—and our planes and pilots—might not at some time within the near future be cast into the cauldron of blood and hate that is Europe today."

Wheeler then made his assertion that the nation was "running" down the road which led to war.

**Story of Peace Bid**  
The story of a rejected German peace bid to the allies in 1939 was related to reporters by Marshall, who besides being chairman of the No Foreign War Committee is editor of the Cedar Rapids (Iowa) Gazette.

Marshall said the terms, sponsored by Hermann Goering and other high nazi officials, constituted "a sound economic peace". They were put forward a month after the invasion of Poland, he stated.

W. R. Davis, New York oil operator, brought the offer to this country, Marshall said, but found official indifference here.

The state department, commenting on this narrative, said that information or suggestions volunteered by private citizens were "always courteously received", but added that "the government can only conduct important international affairs effectively through duly authorized and official channels created for that purpose".

There are eight states, all in the south, where the average gasoline tax is in excess of 35¢ annually.

POLO

Mrs. Maude Reed Reporter

Phone 781

Wedding Anniversary

The following guests celebrated the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. David J. Frey last Friday evening: Mr. and Mrs. George Frey and daughter Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Frey of Rockford, Mr. and Mrs. John Schreiner, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Muench, Mrs. Robert Franks and son James, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Frey of Polo, Mr. and Mrs. John Haugh and Mrs. Gertrude Haugh, Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Haugh and Emment Haugh and son Clarence of Milledgeville, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Shoup and children of Lanark. The Freys were remembered with gifts of Pottery and flowers.

Dr. Louise Keator was called to Irving, Tex. to attend funeral services for her cousin, Frank Moser.

Mrs. John W. Barter of Harrisburg, Ill. is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Lange at Dixon. Mrs. Barter is Mrs. Lange's mother.

Mrs. Geraldine Hummel of Sterling and Richard Eversole of Columbia were Sunday guests at the Walter Hummel home.

Mrs. Fred French came home Monday from the hospital at Dixon where she has been receiving treatment.

Buffalo Grove News

School opened Monday after a week's vacation. Ernest Quanco visited school Monday afternoon. The floor of the school house was refinished during the vacation. The sixth, seventh and eighth grades are organizing an English club.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent May spent Sunday in the Clifford May home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Moats had as Christmas Day guests, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Moats of Crystal Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moats of Maryland, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moats and son Bobby. Bobby went to Crystal Lake to spend the holidays with his uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Kechlemer and daughters Lorraine, Donna, and Linda Lou and Mrs. Harm Fredricks and daughter Shirley were Sunday dinner guests in the Carl Bosum home.

Miss Thelma Bosley of Dixon is spending her Christmas vacation in the Harm Fredricks home.

Katherine Hendren and children spent Christmas with her parents in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bocker of Oregon were Monday visitors in the Katherine Hendren home.

Edward and John McGrath spent Monday in Chicago. In the evening they attended the ice carnival at the stadium.

Mrs. Robert Pollock entertained her bridge club Monday evening at her home. High score prize was won by Iva Barnes. A gift exchange was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolf spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Matson at Elgin.

Happy New Year

I wish to thank each one that contributed news to the Polo column the past year. May joy and peace be yours the entire year of 1941.

Maude Reed, Reporter.

Gunmen Hang Woman on Meat Hook in Store

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Mrs. Mary Meyers, 46, spent 10 minutes hanging from a meat hook in her grocery refrigerator yesterday.

She was placed there by two gunmen who first bound and gagged her and robbed her of \$68. A truck driver rescued her from the chilly vault. Mrs. Meyers attracted attention by tapping on the floor which she was just able to reach with her toes.

The army recently ordered 3000 trucks weighing only about 1700 pounds which will carry a machine gun or an anti-aircraft gun and a crew at more than 35 miles an hour.

America and the Fateful Year



Merchants of Illinois Ask Distribution be Accorded Recognition

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Illinois Federation of Retail Associations in a letter to Gov. Stelle protested today against the appointment of a state defense council "without any regard for the importance of distribution in the major task of preparing this state for any defense emergencies that arise".

The letter, signed by J. T. Meek, executive secretary, said 100,000 merchants in Illinois "are doing all within their power to combat unwarranted price increases which are always a threatening by-product of emergencies of this kind". It said the merchants were "combating 'buy-now' hysteria, expediting service to the buying public and are invaluable in building the morale of the citizens of Illinois".

The letter said merchants would cooperate with the state defense council but "would take an even more active interest had the field of distribution, third largest in the country, been given direct rather than indirect representation on the council".

Stelle Asks Green to Name New Policemen

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Gov. John Stelle today invited Republican Governor-Elect Dwight H. Green to select more than 100 state highway police officers to replace Democratic policemen who are resigning tomorrow.

Stelle said he had asked Green to name the police officers "because it is both impossible and impractical to fill these vacancies for a two week period".

"The officers resigning have been informed by the Republican chairmen in their counties that they are to be released on January 13 (when the new GOP administration takes office) and we cannot ensure them that seeking security for the families", Stelle said in his telegram.

Stelle said more than 100 policemen were resigning effective January 1 to accept employment in government industry and private enterprise.

Aged Executive Gives Oil Company to Town

Mount Joy, Pa., Dec. 31.—(AP)—This community became the amazed inheritor today of a thriving million-dollar oil company, the gift of owner Clarence Shock, who believes that "a man's estate should go to the general welfare".

The childless, 75-year-old executive announced last night he had created a community trust estate which now is the sole stockholder of the Schock Independent Oil company. Except for a "limited part" to be reserved for the donor and his wife, all company earnings go to the community.

During the first 10 months of 1940, the motorists of the nation registered 2,779,586 new passenger cars. This figure represents a 28.78 per cent increase over the same period of 1939.

Up to the present stage of the war, four Victoria Crosses have been awarded to British airmen; in the last war 19 crosses were awarded.

FORRESTON MRS. LYLE MARKS Reporter Phone 6722

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Otto have returned to their home in St. Paul, Minn., after spending Christmas in the Elmer Brockmeier home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reinders entertained forty-one guests at a Christmas dinner on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Gloss of Freeport, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Anderson were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Anderson.

Miss Martha Meyers spent Tuesday night and Wednesday in Freeport with Mr. and Mrs. Victor Billig.

Mrs. Alice Garman was a Freeport visitor Saturday.

Mrs. John Dikkers and children of Decatur were over night guests in the Ralph Dikker home Friday night.

Milford Abels returned Sunday to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., after a visit with home folks over Christmas.

New Year's dinner guests in the Herman Anderson home will be Mr. and Mrs. James Meyers of Baileyville.

Fred H. Stuckenberg underwent a major operation at the Deaconess hospital, Freeport, on Saturday.

About 20 neighbors were entertained in the home of Mrs. Wm. Wilde on Friday evening. The evening was spent in playing bingo. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Elmer Brockmeier and Miss Ricksta Koper. There was an exchange of Christmas gifts, and Santa Claus was present to enjoy the evening with the little folks.

Hans Hoepfner of Chicago spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Matilda Hoepfner.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Billig were entertained on Christmas day in the John McKinstra home in Freeport.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Fager were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Meyers at Mt. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Brandt spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Elselte at Naperville.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Miller and family of Freeport, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Otto of St. Paul, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schmidt and sons enjoyed Christmas dinner at the Elmer Brockmeier home.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Capps entertained Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Capps and daughter, Marjorie of Des Moines, Iowa, several days last week.

Mrs. Arthur Schoonhoven is a medical patient at the Deaconess hospital in Freeport.

Miss Meltha Hiteman of Moscow, Idaho is spending the holiday vacation with her father, William Hiteman and family.

Mrs. Earl Whiting of Chicago is visiting for some time in the Fred Viemeier home.

Miss Virginia Gravenstein spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Wayne Maybun near Polo.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Roche and Mrs. Minnie Kennedy spent Sunday afternoon at Rochelle with Mrs. Harriet Zies.

Edmond Dougherty, who has been stationed at the Great Lakes

Naval Training School, left on Dec. 29 for Virginia, and is now assigned to the supply ship Melville. About Dec. 30 he expected to sail for a port to be determined later. Dudley Stuckenberg is ill with the mumps.

General Epidemic of Measles Appears to Be Growing in State

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Dr. Roland R. Cross, state public health director, said today that a general measles epidemic appears to be developing in Illinois.

Measles climbed to the highest point this year with 734 new cases reported last week, Dr. Cross said. Dr. Cross said that up to Dec. 30 a total of 8,206 measles cases had been reported in Illinois, compared with 1,282 cases for a similar period in 1939.

In the department's weekly report to local health officers, Dr. Cross also warned of "potential epidemic outbreaks" of smallpox in Henry and Pulaski counties.

Eleven new cases of smallpox were reported during the week of which three were in Henry county and five in Pulaski county.

Safety Council Advises You to Leave Your Car in the Garage Tonight

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—If you're going anywhere tonight leave your car in the garage and use a street car, bus, train or taxicab.

That was the National Safety Council's suggestion today for a safe celebration of New Year's Eve.

The council also offered this advice:

"Be prepared for anything the other driver may do, whether you are driving or walking.

"If you must drive, don't drink. "Don't ride with a drinking driver.

"Step up your caution when you step out tonight."

The American automobile industry has produced nearly 80,000,000 motor vehicles since 1900.



... To Our Friends

May the new year be filled with happiness and contentment.

May 1941 bring prosperity and good cheer. May health be yours in abundance. May your righteous ambitions come nearer their realization. May you and yours be protected from all harm and may this nation continue to be the home of Freedom and Good Will.

F. X. NEWCOMER CO.

Several Thousand State Workers in No Mood for Fete

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—If the New Year's Eve hilarity is a little more restrained than usual in Springfield tonight, it will be because several thousand resident state employees don't feel in the mood for celebrating.

This New Year's will be the last that most of them will spend in the Capital. When the Republican administration of Governor-elect Dwight H. Green moves in two weeks hence, many of the Democratic jobholders will start moving out. Among them will be several hundred appointed during the three-months administration of Gov. John Stelle.

Although the replacement of present employees with Republican appointees probably will take place over a period of months, rather than days, many of the estimated 5,000 state workers living here have taken the fatalistic view that they will be off the payroll sooner or later.

**Reservations Heavy**  
Hotels and night clubs, however, reported they didn't expect the statehouse "unemployment" prospects to have much effect on business tonight. They reported advance reservations were heavy.

At the executive mansion, Governor and Mrs. Stelle will greet 1941 with a few "close friends" as guests. The guest list was not made public. One of the largest social functions to be held at the executive mansion in recent years, a holiday dance attended by about 500 guests, was held Saturday night with John Jr., and Russell Stelle, sons of the governor, as hosts.

At noon tomorrow Stelle will deliver a 15-minute New Year's Day report on the "condition of the state" over an 18-station radio hookup. The annual public reception at the executive mansion, suspended the last two years because of the late Governor Horner's illness, will be held from 2 to 5 p. m. Wednesday.

Several thousand persons are expected to visit the mansion where Governor and Mrs. Stelle and elected state officials and their wives will be in the receiving line.

War Today

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flight from their objectives. The British, on the other hand, have a vast area to cover and the flying distance to Germany is great.

Apart from possible attacks on civilian populations to shatter morale, gas could be used effectively against airmen and industries to immobilize them. Even if no loss of life were caused, there might be a serious hold-up of operations.

One is inclined to believe that gas will be employed only as a last resort. It may be used by a country which is on the verge of defeat and therefore desperate. It might be tried by a country which seemed about to achieve a victory, and wanted to stupefy the enemy so as to permit of delivering the final blow.

Happy Birthday

JANUARY 1 W. F. Solovover

**JANUARY 2**  
Alfred A. Lebre: Raymond F. Gehant, West Brooklyn; Lucille Auchstetter, Sublette; Rita Mae Dempsey, Amboy; Audrey Simpson, Earlville.

In order to build motor cars to fit the average driver, a cardboard dummy was built by automotive engineers. The dummy is five feet eight inches tall, and has a leg length of 32 inches.

In an effort to make the windows of buses used in the city of London more resistant to shattering when bombs burst nearby, the glass is covered with adhesive netting.

The British R. A. F. bomb sight is known as the Wimperis Sight.

Votes of 100 Men

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and management hours of work, pay for stewards, a night-shift bonus, a lunch period with pay, overtime, seniority rights, an apprentice training program and protection under military service.

Hitler Visions

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cialist armed forces of the greater reich, the year 1941 will bring completion of the greatest victory of our history."

Hitler's statement was followed by messages to their respective commands from Reichsmarshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering, commander of the air force; Field Marshal General Walther von Brauchitsch, commander-in-chief of the army, and Grand Admiral Erich Raeder, commander-in-chief of the navy.

Goering reviewed events of the past year, boasted that British raids had caused no military damage in the reich and declared the German air force had "fulfilled" Hitler's pledge of "one hundred-fold retaliation."

Terse News

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devoted to organization and a program will be worked out according to the interests of the attending adults. The part-time school for young farmers is expected to start soon after the New Year and meetings will be held either on Tuesday or Thursday nights.

More Marriages, Divorce—

A slight increase in business in two departments at the Lee county court house were noted in 1940, the records revealed today. In the office of Circuit Clerk E. S. Rosecrans it was noted that while only 52 divorces were petitioned in 1939 the present year showed an increase to 66. Of this number, 56 women were the plaintiffs and ten were males. A greater increase in marriage licenses was noted in the office of County Clerk Sterling Schrock. In 1939 the number of licenses issued dropped to a minimum figure of 105 for the 12 month period. In 1940 a total of 159 couples secured licenses.

Resign from State Police—

Harry Blackburn of Lanark, formerly of Dixon, is one of three state policemen assigned to the Sterling district who have resigned, effective tomorrow, to take positions as guards at the new government-sponsored munitions plant at Wilmington, Ill. It was announced last night. The resignations have been accepted. The others who will quit the state police force tomorrow to join their resigned chief, Walter Williams, are William Hightower of Mount Morris and Ted Holder-ness of DeKalb. John Henricken, chief clerk at the Sterling highway police office, has resigned, effective tomorrow, to take a position in Kankakee.

Some authorities estimate the output of British training planes at nearly one-third of the current production of 700 a month. The other two-thirds are more or less evenly divided between bombers and fighters.

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SOCIETY

DIXON IS—

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gone to New York City to visit his daughter during the holidays.

Also receiving with the Nelson couple this evening will be their daughter, Mrs. John Gale, and their two sons, William of Dixon and Eugene of Elgin. A buffet lunch will be served throughout the evening, tables will be set for card games, and at the midnight hour, there will be dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kishbaugh and Mr. Kishbaugh's brothers, Wayne and Ralph, have planned New Year's Eve entertainment for a small party of guests this evening at their country home on rural route 3. Table tennis, other games, and dancing will precede a midnight supper.

Invited guests will include Mr. and Mrs. A. Ehrhard of Rockford, Jane Goff and Jack Ferger of Dixon, Alice Donnelly of Amboy, and Nadine Galos of Dixon. Mrs. Ehrhard was Mrs. Kishbaugh's former roommate at MacMurray college in Jacksonville.

Wednesday afternoon will find the senior Robert Sterlings of 211 Dement avenue exchanging New Year's greetings with friends at their annual open house. This pleasant custom will probably bring 100 or more holiday callers to the Sterling home, where the Chandler Sterlings of Oak Park, the junior Robert Sterlings, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Toot will assist in receiving between 3 and 5 o'clock.

PERSONALS

Richard Durkes has returned to Chicago for a visit with his mother, Mrs. W. C. Durkes, before returning to his studies at Amherst college.

Miss Gladys Ireland has returned from a week's holiday visit with her brother and sister-in-law in Eau Claire, Wis. Her mother, Mrs. Ellen Ireland, remained in the north for a longer visit.

Members of the Stony Point Parent-Teacher association are announcing a "fun night" for Friday evening. A program of games and recreation has been planned for the association members and their friends.

Miss Virginia Wheeler, who has been spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. L. F. Beane and family, went to Chicago today with Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Cline, Sr., where she will board a train for her home in Miami, Fla.

Lovell Smith and Jack Wettter are spending New Year's in Peoria with relatives.

Operating from a height of four miles, a big bertha camera now used by the army is able to photograph 36 square miles of territory with a single exposure. The camera has a 40-inch focal length lens.

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# Of Interest to Farmers

## CENSUS REPORT SHOWS ACREAGE IN LEE COUNTY

### There Are 2,434 Farms Being Operated in Year Just Ending

There were 2,434 farms in operation in Lee county during 1939 according to the Illinois Farm Acreage Census just released by the Illinois Co-operative Crop Reporting Service.

Assessors reported a total of 440,173 acres on these farms and 289 acres of non-agricultural land which includes special and old tracts were reported.

In the past year 139,785 acres were under corn cultivation as contrast to 155,297 in 1938. Oats took up 83,264 acres of Lee county land in 1939 and 95,502 in 1938.

Other acreage reports for the county included:

	1938	1939
Winter wheat	5,243	4,743
Spring wheat	90	155
Rye	809	741
Barley	1,473	1,691
Soybeans for beans	15,328	21,106
Soybeans for hay	9,851	13,134
Soybeans plowed under	2,486	3,768
Cowpeas for peas	237	288
Cowpeas plowed under	10	10
Alfalfa for hay	3,249	4,092
Clover, clover and timothy mixed for hay	20,567	18,955
Timothy alone for hay	2,969	3,105
Sweet clover for hay	651	853
Lespedeza for hay	25	33
Other hay	685	730
Truck and vegetable crops	2,149	2,439
All other crops	791	340
Other pasture, timber and waste land roads and building lots	91,941	94,977
Plowland idle	5,033	9,427
Red and alsike clover seed	202	872
Timothy seed	455	2,233
Sweet clover seed	62	584
Lespedeza seed	5	0
Red top seed	0	20
Number of apple trees of bearing age		9,128
Number of peach trees of bearing age		582
Number of pear trees of bearing age		700

## Lee Farm Tenants May Make Rental Applications Now

With every indication pointing to a heavy demand next spring for farms to rent, Lee tenants facing March 1st moves and needing Farm Security Administration assistance, will find it to their advantage to make application to the FSA before January 15.

This command was made here today by E. Melville Hayes, Lee County FSA Supervisor.

"When there's a scarcity of farms to rent, the tenant with adequate equipment and livestock is bound to get first choice," he said. "In fact, our experience has shown that lack of adequate equipment and livestock is a major reason why many tenants are forced to make frequent moves and operate low quality farms."

It was explained that, besides receiving assistance in the formulation of sound farm and home management plans, farm families may obtain loans for the purchase of needed equipment, livestock, household furnishings, feed, seed and fertilizer.

"Naturally, the FSA cannot make loans to tenants who must vacate present farms on March 1st, unless they have been able to obtain leases on other farms," Mr. Hayes said. "However, if a

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## Illinois Agriculture's Cash Income Increased Despite Loss in Harvest

Chicago, Dec. 31—(AP)—Illinois agriculture's cash income increased in 1940 despite a slight reduction in grain harvest.

The state's share of the nine billion dollar national farm cash income from marketings and government payments was estimated by statisticians today to be close to \$600,000,000, possibly the highest in a decade.

Marketing authorities in Chicago said that the effects of the war in Europe, which caused a collapse in farm prices in May, were offset by increased domestic demand for farm products due to expanded activity associated with defense preparations.

Last year Illinois farmers received more than \$534,000,000 from marketings and government payments, in excess of six per cent of total U. S. cash income of approximately \$8,500,000,000.

In the first nine months of 1940 Illinois farmers received \$412,179,000, including \$21,675,000 in government payments, an increase of about 11 per cent compared with the corresponding 1939 period. During the same nine months national farm cash income was estimated at \$6,175,000,000, an increase of less than eight per cent compared with 1939.

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**Invited to Confer**

Wherever possible, he said, landlords and tenants in such cases are invited to sit down with the county FSA staff to talk over arrangements and make plans.

This affords an excellent opportunity for mutually beneficial leasing arrangements to be drawn up on the basis of the FSA flexible farm lease. It also simplifies and speeds up the process of working out plans for the FSA assistance needed.

One advantage of early FSA applications, it was pointed out, is that this planning between landlord, tenant and the FSA can be carried out much more carefully than after the spring rush begins. In addition, the choice of farms to rent, already small enough, will be much smaller by late February.

Application for FSA assistance may be made at the County FSA office, 119 Galena avenue in Dixon, any time between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m. In addition, members of the Lee County FSA Advisory committee will accept applications.

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Eighteen Ogle county wool growers who pooled their 1940 crop in the co-operative market sponsored by the Farm Bureau have just received their checks for the balance due them on the completion of the sales. The amounts received returned to the growers a substantially larger amount than they would have received had they sold their wool locally, according to information from the Farm Bureau office at Oregon.

The average net price received for the 3,238 pounds of Ogle county wool after deducting all marketing costs was 33.7 cents per pound. This is 1/2 cent per pound higher than the average for the state. Figures from the agricultural statistician's office at Springfield show that the average farm price for wool at country points for the months of April, May, June and July was 29.5 cents per pound. This means that Illinois growers who sold their wool through the co-operative association received an advantage of 3 2/3 cents per pound more than those who sold to local buyers.

Since the co-operative sells wool on a graded basis producers who had the best quality of wool received the highest price. A number of Ogle county farmers received an average price of more than 35.5c per pound net after deducting all costs. D. E. Warren, farm adviser, states that the advantage of the co-operative market cannot be entirely measured by the comparison of prices received with those of other markets because the co-operative has a strengthening influence on the general wool price level which is reflected in all markets.

## MEMBERSHIP IN OGLE COUNTY'S FARM BUREAU UP

Ogle County Farm Bureau has shown an increase in membership during the past year and an increase in percentage of members in good standing according to figures presented at the annual business meeting held recently.

At the end of the fiscal year just past there were enrolled 945 members with 882 having their dues fully paid as compared with 905 enrolled a year ago with 831 paid. The present percentage of members in good standing is 93.3 which is a new high record for Ogle County Farm Bureau. The total amount of membership dues received is the largest for any year of the past nine years.

Membership in the state likewise shows an increase. More than 9000 new members were added to the Farm Bureaus in Illinois during the year 1940 and there were in addition about 1200 reinstatements making the total membership now well over 73,000, according to O. D. Brissenden, director of organization for the Illinois Agricultural Association. Mr. Brissenden states that the paid membership dues in county Farm Bureaus and the I. A. A. stand at a 17-year high and that on November 30 there was a net gain of 4926 members over the preceding year.

## Predict Illinois' Pig Production Will Decline

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31—(AP)—The federal and state departments of agriculture have predicted that Illinois' pig production, which dropped three per cent this year over 1939, will continue to decline in 1941.

The December pig crop survey, issued by the combined reporting service of both departments, estimated the fall crop in Illinois at 2,819,000 head, or five percent smaller than for 1939. The total crop for 1940 was 7,419,000.

The report on number of sows to farrow in 1941, based upon returns obtained from approximately 9,000 Illinois farmers, indicated farrowing next spring will be reduced by 11 per cent under spring of last year.

The 1940 pig crop, with the exception of the 7,676,000 head crop of 1939, was the largest since 1933. The 1929-38 average crop was 6,205,000 head.

Farmers were reported marketing their 1940 spring pigs rather early. Although the spring crop was only three per cent lower than that of 1939, the number of hogs over six months old remaining on farms December 1 was nine per cent smaller.

**EARLY BRIDGE TYPE**

Common soldiers built a "bean pole and cornstalk" bridge over Potomac creek during the Civil War. From 10 to 20 heavy trains crossed the fragile trellis daily.

**FARMERS . . .**

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## FRANK PRIEBE'S WEEKLY LETTER to POULTRY RAISERS

Last week the Secretary of Agriculture asked the farmers to raise more hogs. So apparently we no longer have a surplus of pork—or else the prospects are that we'll have use for a surplus.

The day after his request was announced, news came from England that the British government had reduced the price of eggs to 82 cents a dozen and fixed it at that figure.

Both stories point to the fact that food is needed in the world. And we are expected to produce it here in the United States.

Eggs are considered in the class with milk as one of the "protective" foods, which are essential to health.

Douglas C. MacKeachie, assistant coordinator of national defense purchases, has asked representatives of the poultry and egg industry to meet in Washington next month. He wants to find out how the government can be sure of getting good eggs and poultry meat for the army. Soldiers can eat a lot of eggs for breakfast.

Those are all things to remember when you're thinking about how many chicks to raise this year.

**Plan to Raise Two Lots of Chicks**

If you've been raising all your houses will hold, don't just try to put half again or twice as many chicks in the same house, because it won't work.

The sensible thing to do if you want to increase your production is to raise two lots of chicks. I've heard about a lot of people who have been doing that the last two or three years and they think it's a fine idea. They start one bunch very early—in January or February—and as soon as those birds can be sold or moved out onto range, they clean out the brooder house and start all over again!

With healthy chicks, a good brooder house, and a dependable stove, people have no trouble starting chicks in the middle of the winter. Even a spell of below-zero weather doesn't disturb them. They like the idea of having something to keep them busy during the slack months. And they have found they can easily make a dollar or more an hour for the time they spend looking after chicks.

Doesn't that sound like good pay to you?

Then get the brooder house cleaned out and get some chicks in it just as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

*Frank Priebe*

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## Nation's Output of Arms Mounting

Washington, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The defense commission reported today that the nation's arms output was up to 2,400 aircraft engines, 700 planes, more than 10,000 semi-automatic rifles and 100 tanks a month.

The defense program, the commission said, already had put a million persons to work in the past two months, and "several million more will be needed by next November."

The effort to get defense orders placed with American industry continued with virtually no letup during the Christmas holidays, officials said today, but even so, the army and navy still have a long ways to go.

War department spokesmen explained, however, that most of the army's unobligated funds—about \$1,142,000,000—was earmarked largely for supplies and equipment for which there was no immediate rush and orders for which, if placed now, would create unnecessary industrial congestion.

In that category, they said, are large quantities of army clothing intended for use next fall and winter, and substantial number of trucks and other motor vehicles for which the army will have no need until more of the first year's 800,000 draftees are in the service. With regard to commercial types of motor vehicles, officials pointed out that they could be acquired in large numbers in a relatively short time.

Concerning the navy's remaining funds, authorities said that most of it would be allocated gradually as materials are needed for the huge shipbuilding program.

**DINED FIRST**

Each evening in the time of Queen Anne, a trumpeter on the topmost tower of his castle proclaimed to all the world that the chief of Clan McNeill, of the Scottish Highlanders, had dined and that the rest of the world might now dine also.

**COST VS. ABILITY**

Pictures do not depend on the type of camera used, but upon the person behind the camera. Prize-winning pictures can be taken with a dollar camera and poor pictures with expensive ones.

## U. S. Government's Securities Mount to All-Time Highs

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—United States government securities, in prime demand for investment purposes by banks, life insurance companies and other cash-laden financial institutions, soared upward to the highest levels in history as war-torn 1940 veered toward its close.

In the final days of the year some federal issues tapered slightly from the record peaks, but dealers said the price softening was no sign of weakness. It was, rather, a shading of values as big banks switched from one government issue to another to reap realized profits.

Paced by the governments, scores of American corporation bonds, including industrial, utility and railway obligations, also took the upward route in the last half of the year, and many recorded new highs for 1940 or longer in November-December trading.

European dollars loans did not do so well. Scores tumbled abruptly, giving up 50 to 75 per cent of their market values as German armed forces occupied one tiny independent country after another in the May-June westward invasion sweep.

**Invasion Brings Slump**

In May, markets generally tumbled as Germany invaded Holland, Belgium and France. Obligations of German-occupied countries sank in many cases to nominal values of 10 to 12 cents on the dollar. War also were many British flag issues, including Australian and New South Wales loans, as German bombs began raining heavily on England.

Securities of the invaders suffered, too. Down sharply were German and Italian loans, also those of Japan as that Far Eastern nation aligned itself as a partner in the Berlin-Rome axis.

The Federal Reserve, through open market operations, near mid-year purchased U. S. governments to support their values.

By August, however, the decline in the general bond market had spent its course, and scores of issues were on the upward path again. Banks and the big life companies, vaults bulging with idle cash, widened buying of governments for investment portfolio. Yields on the U. S. issues were low. All maturities commanded premiums over par. But financial institutions reasoned that some interest return was better than nothing. The floating supply of good corporates had been too small to meet active demand for years.

## Director of Draft Warns Unpatriotic

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 30—(AP)—State Draft Director Paul G. Armstrong today criticized "certain business firms" which he said are "deliberately and shortsightedly discharging and refusing to hire young men subject to the selective service law."

Some industrial concerns, Armstrong said, have dismissed employees who may within the next few months be called for military training, and have refused to employ young men with low draft numbers because they may be only temporarily available for civilian work.

"Fortunately these employers are few," Armstrong said. "Because the law requires a private employer to re-employ young men who have been called into the service for one year, these few whose patriotism has been submerged have allowed self-interest to subjugate their primary responsibility, which is to the United States."

"I believe it is timely to sound a warning to those who are not sound in their patriotism. The warning is not a threat, but a reminder that business, industry and labor depend for their existence upon the welfare of the American family, x x x"

"The selective service administration would consider it a most disagreeable duty should it be

come necessary to make public the names of any business, industry or labor organization, or of any individual who puts self-interest above that of their country."

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## Deadly Serious Simulation of Battle in Instruction Given at Fort Monroe

Fort Monroe, Va., Dec. 31—(AP)—A plane's engine shattered the quiet night as the ship rocketed down in a power dive.

Closer and closer it plummeted, its bombsights fixed on the big guns of Fort Monroe, guardian of the gateway to the nation's capital. Suddenly the fort's anti-aircraft batteries spoke. Giant searchlights, whose 800,000,000 candlepower had spotted the plane for the gunners, followed the bomber until theoretically it crashed in Chesapeake Bay.

The McCoy?

No, but a deadly serious simulation of the real thing.

Here at this United States army post, emphasis today is on anti-aircraft defenses. And the business of making these defenses effective is the business of the coast artillery school.

Since its establishment in 1824 the school has been the primary source of instruction in matters pertaining to the coast artillery corps. The course of instruction in the earliest days did not extend much beyond the routine of garrison duties. Today, however, the scope of instruction is comparable to that of a given branch of engineering in a modern college.

The role of school is to provide competent leaders for all units of the coast artillery corps and competent instructors for the coast artillery of the army.

## Common Chemical Influences Use of Animal's Leg

Philadelphia, Dec. 30—One of the strangest facts of life yet discovered by science, a common chemical which when injected into the brain of an animal gives him skill of legs without any practice was reported to the American Association for the Advancement of Science today.

This "skill" chemical is acetylcholine, which has been mentioned by chemists as a possible war gas, and which appears in minute quantities in muscles whenever they move. It then appears at the nerve endings in the muscle, showing that it in some manner helps the nerve transmit the motion impulse to the muscle.

Dr. George M. Patterson, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, told the results of injecting a little acetylcholine into the brains of rats.

These rats were either "left-handed" or "right-handed", that is by preference used either right or left paw in reaching motions. It had been impossible to get them to use the other paw without considerable practice. Only practice made them expert with the "off paw."

But the acetylcholine was a complete substitute for practice. Dr. Patterson placed the chemical in the half of the brain covering the paw which he wanted to become skillful. The paw responded almost immediately.

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### Entertained Card Club

Mrs. Jessie Floto entertained the members of her card club Friday afternoon at the lovely new home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tice in Dixon. The club is composed of Mrs. Mary Miller, Miss Esther Ling, Mrs. Marie Kint, Mrs. Carrie Mong, Mrs. Pansy Biesacker and Mrs. Cecil Cravens of this place and Mrs. Isabelle Canfield of Dixon. At bridge Mrs. Kint won honor. At the close of the afternoon lovely refreshments were enjoyed.

### Entertained Thursday Evening

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sidell entertained nine friends from Dixon with a chop suey supper, for which Mrs. Sidell is famous. Those present to enjoy the evening were: Pat Reynolds, Nate Drew, Edward O'Brien, Earl Nolan, Don Beane, Frank Darschbach, Earl Ryan, Herb Gernsman, and Paul Crabtree, Jr. A beautiful floor lamp was presented the hosts before departing for their homes.

### Visiting Aunt

Juanita Williams of Champaign and Lura Williams of Dixon are visiting in the home of their aunt, Mrs. G. Siemens and family. They plan to return to their school duties after New Years.

### Christmas Dinners

We regret very much that the following Christmas dinners were reported too late to be published in the Saturday items. Christmas dinner guests at the Robert Schultz home included Mr. and Mrs. Ed Underwood and son Russell, Albert Jones and daughter, Miss Mary.

F. H. Hansen had as dinner guests Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. William Knox of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ruch of Rochelle, John Bellezza and Miss Elizabeth Doden of this place.

### Woman's Club

The January meeting of the Woman's club will be held Monday, January 6. The program will be on "Civil Service," Miss Laura Miller of Paw Paw is to be the speaker. Special musical numbers are being planned. The committee on civil service is composed of the following: Pansy Biesacker, chairman; Iva Black, Annie Roe, Lucile Kinsley, Almina Burhen, Louella Schaefer, Sadie Myers, Vena Wiegell and Miss Drucilla Lookingland.

### Motored to Florida

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Myers of this place and Miss Mary Morgan of Byron are spending the holidays in Florida. The trip was made in the Myers car. They plan to be home for school, beginning the 6th of January in Oregon. Miss Morgan is an Oregon teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Baker are staying in the Myers home with the boys.

Mr. and Mrs. William Herwig had as their guests at dinner on Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herwig, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Herwig and son Kenneth. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gleim of Ashton; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Pankhurst and son James of Amboy; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramsdell, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ramsdell and son Donald and daughter Frances and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramsdell, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cravens and two children, George S. Ives and son Billy enjoyed their dinner on Christmas Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Canfield and family in Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Blocher entertained their daughters and families Christmas Day. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. David O. Weigle of Amboy and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold McGaffey and son of Dixon.

### Farms Sold

The Floyd Thomas farms north of town were sold at auction Saturday afternoon. The two farms were purchased by two daughters of Mr. Thompson. Mrs. Etha Doren and Mrs. Doris Hendricks. James Hay purchased the timber land and Henry Fruit bid in the pasture.

### Community Club

Members of the Hausen Community club held their December meeting at the school house. About 50 were present to enjoy the scramble dinner at 6:30 after which a program was presented consisting of songs, recitations, two pageants and two accordion solos by the children. A grab bag furnished much amusement for both young and old. The perfectly lovely Christmas tree added much to the pleasure.

### Taking Vacation

Arthur Watson is taking a vacation from his duties as rural mail carrier. Owing to the illness of his substitute, Harry Maronde, Lowell Trottnow is carrying the mail.

### Attended Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Dockery, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hopkins and daughter Shirley attended the funeral of Gustaf F. Bloomdahl in

## Walton News

Vices were held at the home with Rev. C. L. Wagner, pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran church officiating. Burial was in Oakwood cemetery. Mr. Bloomdahl was well known here, having visited in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dockery. He was aged 79 years, one month and 28 days. He had been a resident of Dixon 39 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Dysart, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gross, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schaefer motored to Clinton, Iowa Thursday night where they enjoyed the Iten display.

### Remembered With Fruit

G. W. Ling, aged 93, our only surviving Civil War veteran, was made very happy Christmas when the ladies of the Dixon W. R. C. called at his home and presented him with a lovely basket of fruit. Mr. Ling was again presented with a lovely basket of fruit from the Franklin Grove Woman's club.

### Getting Along Nicely

We received a letter from Miss Flora Wicker dated December 27, from Los Angeles where she is spending the winter. Miss Wicker is just recovering from an attack of pneumonia and is able to be around the house. This will be good news to her many friends in this community. She also stated that she received many cards from her Illinois friends which brought her much pleasure and for which she is very grateful and hopes to be able to write to other friends.

### Scramble Dinner

A scramble dinner was enjoyed Sunday in the home of Mrs. Cecile Fuller in honor of her son William who has just returned home. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Alex Benjamin, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bruce of Ashton; Mrs. Fred Eckhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Fuller and son of Rochelle; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Craig and two daughters of Malta.

### Holiday Guests

Guests in the Mrs. Elizabeth Durkes home during the holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. William Myer of Gladbrook, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Sataoff of Chatsworth, Ill.; Miss Elizabeth Durkes of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; Henry Hewitt of Des Moines, Iowa; and his son Charles Hewitt of Tucson, Wyoming.

### Visited Here Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Raymer and son Lowell of Lena, Ill., James Boyer and son Richard of Freeport were here Saturday afternoon calling on their aunts, Mrs. Frank Group and Mrs. Rose Senger. The Raymers will leave soon for California for the remainder of the winter and Richard Boyer will go to Hawaii.

### Turkey Supper

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Biesacker entertained Friday evening with a turkey dinner. Mrs. Donald Butler and two daughters, Mary Louise and Judith and Glenn Butler of Palmyra, Mo.; and Mrs. Frank Butler of this place.

### Joined Church

Misses Anabel Burroughs and Adeline Smith and Merle Cluts were received into membership in the Church of the Brethren Sunday morning.

### Called Here By Illness

Harry Smith of Pleasant Hill, Ill., was called here Saturday by the serious illness of his baby daughter, who with her mother Mrs. Smith are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Phillips.

### Completely Surprised

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dierdorff were completely surprised Friday evening when Rev. and Ms. Louis Gaffon of Ashton, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cluts, Mr. and Mrs. Will Crawford, Mrs. Bessie Schaefer and son Junior, Mrs. A. W. Crawford, Mrs. Rose Senger, Mrs. Virginia Crawford, Mrs. Sadie Emmer, and Miss Alice Thornton of this place walked into their home and informed them they had come to help them celebrate their 47th wedding anniversary. They brought with them lovely refreshments. "Henry and Flo" as they are known to everyone, have lived all their lives in this village, have always been and still are loyal members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Dierdorff is an elder and clerk of the session of the church. We join with all of their friends in wishing them many more years of married life.

### Personal Items

Frank Butler and son Donald motored to St. Louis Friday where they transacted business.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Dysart were supper guests Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sayer at Rock Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crawford were Friday evening guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lott.

George Kohl is spending a few days with his father, Herman Kohl and family. He is with the United States army at Fort Bragg in North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Miller and daughters have gone to their home in Boaz, Alabama, after a visit in the home of her father, J. E. Wolf.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Mattern entertained for supper Thursday night Mr. and Mrs. Claude Businga of Sheridan, Wyo. Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Hussey and daughter

There will be Holy Hour on Thursday evening from 7 to 8 in preparation for first Friday and confessions on Thursday afternoon and evening. Communion on first Friday at 6, 6:15 and 6:30 A. M. and mass at 7 A. M. on the first Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Friel and daughters Judy were dinner guests on Christmas Day at the home of Mrs. Friel's mother, Mrs. Margaret Healy of Amboy.

Mrs. John Morrissey Sr. and daughter Catherine were dinner guests Sunday at the Edward Dieter home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fielding of Amboy were guests Sunday at the Leo Drew home.

Mrs. P. H. Dumphy and son and Anna J. McCoy were Dixon callers Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Payne have returned from a visit over the holidays in Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Payne and son were Christmas dinner guests at the Micheal Blackburn home.

Miss Josephine and Elizabeth Halligan were Christmas guests at the home of Mrs. Mary Halligan in Dixon.

Mrs. Leo Friel was a caller Saturday at the Anna J. McCoy home.

Nadine Heafner was operated on at the Amboy hospital Saturday and her many friends hope for her recovery.

John J. Blackburn was an Amboy shopper Saturday.

Mrs. John J. Blackburn was a caller at the Anna J. McCoy home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carrington and family spent Christmas in Rockford at the home of Mrs. Carrington's mother, Mrs. McFadden.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hecker were Amboy shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Fitzpatrick and family were Christmas dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice McKune and family in Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Daum are the parents of a baby girl born Dec. 26.

Miss Nadine Heafner underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Amboy hospital Saturday.

ter Dorothy of this place.

Mrs. Mary Emmert who has been employed in the Mrs. Josephine Hausen home for the past six weeks is staying for a few days in the Charles Howard home. She plans to go to housekeeping.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Tompkins have moved to the C. W. Lahman residence on the highway.

Superintendent and Mrs. Neil A. Fox spent several of the holidays in the home of his parents at Plymouth, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stewart entertained at supper Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Claire Colwell and son Donnie and Louis Leger.

Dr. and Mrs. Levi Shively of Muncie, Ind. are visiting in the home of her father, J. E. Wolf.

Mrs. Harry Smith and baby of Pleasant Hill are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Phillips.

Miss Josephine Kelley is assisting in the Conlon grocery store.

Mrs. Susan Barkman, aged 97, is reported on the sick list.

Mrs. Louis Bucher and son Lloyd of Rochelle were Monday afternoon and evening guests in the home of her son Roy Cook and wife.

Atty and Mrs. M. V. Peterman and daughter Lotalee and Mrs. Zilphia Peterman of Oregon were Sunday afternoon guests in the Mrs. Ada Peterman home.

Allen Norris is confined to his bed suffering from a severe stroke of apoplexy.

Joseph Crawford of Kansas City visited over the week end in the home of his aunt, Mrs. Byron Breunier and family.

Harlan Spellman who teaches school at Mt. Sterling, Ill., came Monday night for a few days in the Mrs. Ada Peterman home.

Rev. and Mrs. O. D. Buck entertained for dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Low and daughter, Walter Beachley and Mr. and Mrs. Evan Kinsley and daughter Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Businga of Sheridan, Wyoming, are visiting in the home of her sister, Mrs. Blaine Hussey and family.

Mrs. Dan Craig and daughters Patsy Ann and Beverly of Malta are spending the week in the home of her mother, Mrs. Cecile Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tate are the parents of a baby daughter which they have named Wilma Lucille.

Mrs. Rose Senger went to Dixon Monday for a few days in the home of her niece Mrs. Bessie Smith and to attend the funeral of her husband George Smith which was held Tuesday afternoon.

Harry Leger of Dixon was in town Friday transacting business and visiting his brother, Frank Leger.

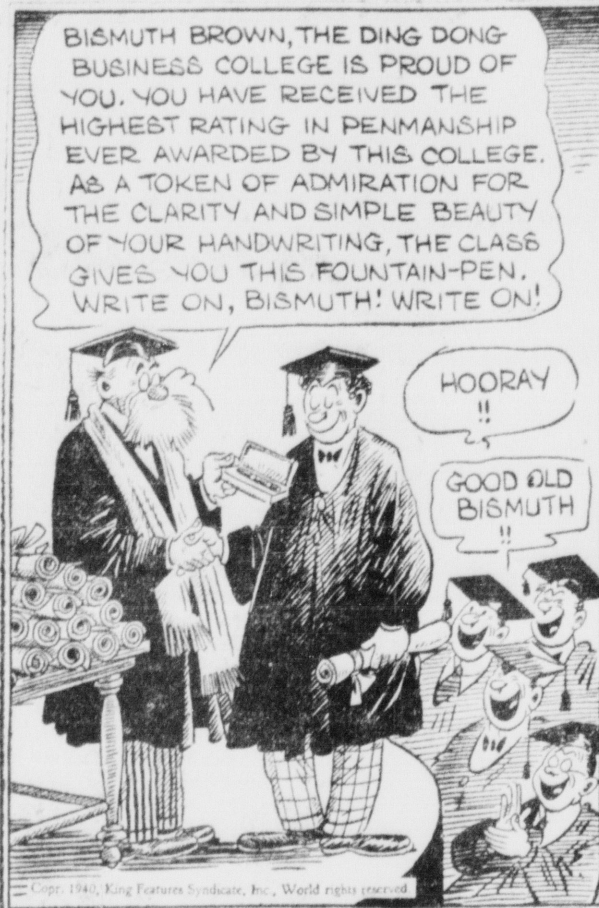
The Murshon pool room has discontinued business.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cline left Monday for Mississippi where they will remain until spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fish and son Robert motored to Chicago Sunday. They were accompanied by their daughter Mrs. Donald Edgington who has been spending the week here.

Known as the "world's most dangerous snakes," king cobras are among the easiest of all snakes to tame.

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## HARMON

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### Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Roman Malach entertained a group of friends on Friday evening in honor of their 20th wedding anniversary which occurred on Sunday. A delicious oyster supper was enjoyed at 6:30

and the evening was spent in playing cards. Prizes were awarded at the close of play and high score for ladies went to Mrs. Otto Hecker and for the gentlemen to Lawrence Garland. The floating prize was won by Edward Garland, and the couples elimination prize went to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garland.

Other guests present for the happy occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lally, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hecker, Mr. and Mrs. George Long, Mr. and Mrs. William O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Powers, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Garland and the host and hostess, who were voted royal entertainers.

### Visits Sister

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Delhotel and family spent Saturday with the latter's sister, Sister Cardona, at Mt. St. Clare Academy in Clinton, Ia.

### Personals

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Perkins spent the week end with relatives in Aurora and Chicago.

Misses Olive and Charlotte Garland returned to their duties in Chicago on Sunday afternoon after a week end with relatives here.

Bob and Bill Bartel of Chicago are spending a few days of their Christmas vacation here with their uncle, LeRoy Morrissey.

Rita C. P. Henkel and daughter, Rita went to Sterling Saturday morning and brought their aunts, Margaret Burke and Hannah McCormick out to spend the day at their home here.

Roman Malach and Ed McCormick called Sunday afternoon in Amboy and visited Gus Cahill, a patient at the Amboy hospital.

Miss Alice Meckel is gradually improving from her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Considine and family and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Melnerney and family will be dinner guests on New Year's Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Considine.

Patsy Downs of Chicago is visiting this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Downs.

Miss Helen Hermes, student at Clarke College in Dubuque, Ia. is enjoying a Christmas vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Edward Hermes and family.

Kathleen Blackburn of Dixon spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Meckel.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hermes and daughter, Mable and son, Arthur attended a birthday party on Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hermes near Rock Falls, honoring the eighteenth birthday of their granddaughter, Rosemary Kelly. There were about eighty present and an evening of dancing and cards were enjoyed. Miss Kelly received many lovely gifts.

Friends here are sorry to hear that Mrs. Ross Emmitt of Sterling was taken to the Sterling hospital on Thursday and wish her a speedy recovery.

Masses in St. Flannen's Catholic church on New Year's Day will be at 7 and 9 o'clock. Confessions on Tuesday afternoon and evening. Friday mass will be at 7 P. M. Novena services to Our Sorrowful Mother on Friday evening at 7:30 P. M.

Sunday masses will be at 8 and 10 o'clock.

Woman's society for Christian Service of the M. E. church will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. F. J. Whitmore.

January 15-16-17 are the dates set for the bazaar to be held in St. Flannen's parish hall.

Mrs. Genevieve Brooks of Chicago was a holiday guest in the I. H. Perkins home.

Eileen O'Brien returned from a two week's visit with relatives in

### Rock Island.

The Emmitt Giblin family who have been under quarantine the past several weeks for scarlet fever are well and able to be out again.

Friends here are sorry to hear that John Schauf, who has been a patient in the Dixon hospital the past several weeks does not improve as rapidly as friends would like. Mr. Schauf formerly resided in this vicinity and would appreciate hearing from his many friends.

S. F. Henry and son, LeRoy spent last Sunday with Edward Henry, a patient the past 13 months at Hines Memorial hospital. They reported that Mr. Henry is much improved and hopes to be up and around soon.

Patrons of the Kimball school recently surprised their teacher, Mrs. Melvin Payne, with a party at the school honoring her birthday anniversary. A scramble supper was enjoyed and Mrs. Payne received many lovely remembrances.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hill were guests Christmas day at the Clifford Hill home in Walnut. Other guests included: Mr. and Mrs. William Hill of Stockton; Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Bailey of Mendota; Mrs. Emily Hill and Mrs. Dorothy Hill and daughter of Walnut.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Clinton and family, Francis, Joseph and Michael Clinton were holiday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Deinslake and son in Walnut.

Henry Wells returned home from Chicago the fore part of the week where he had been called by the serious illness of his brother.

## ASHTON

Mrs. Grace E. Linscott  
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Mrs. Edgar Shippee of Verona, Penn., and Miss Minetta Schaefer of Grand Rapids, Michigan are enjoying the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schaefer and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cannon of Princeton will be guests on New Year's Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hilliard and daughter Minetta.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knapp were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rae Chadwick and family and Mrs. Caroline Zeller.

Mr. and Mrs. George Putman, Mr. and Mrs. George Van Ness and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Schaefer and son attended a scramble dinner on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Lowery at Grand Detour. The dinner was in honor of the birthday of Mr. Lowery.

Miss Elizabeth Andrus is spending several days this week at the home of her niece, Mrs. Joe Shewman and family at Stillman Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bohart, Jr. and daughter of Compton visited friends here Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Putman visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wagner in Rochelle on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Linscott entertained the following at a guest turkey dinner Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gustafson and sons Roger and Glenn and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oswald and sons Jack and Gene of Love's Park. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob E. Hebert, E. S. Linscott and daughter Olive and Mrs. Grace Linscott and daughter Marjorie.

### Personals

Miss Mary Ellen Work of Chicago was a guest several days the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moyer, Sr. and family.

Gerald Arnould who attends Western State Teachers college at Macomb came home Thursday and is spending the remainder of his holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Arnould.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Beck and daughter Patricia who have been living in the Otto W. Schade residence south of the tracks, moved last week to the residence property of O. A. Fackler in the northwest part of town.

Nevin Kendall, who attends the University of Illinois, returned to

## AMBOY

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Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Graves and son Ronnie of Rockford spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keyes.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Miller left Sunday to spend the remainder of the winter months at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Jobst in Chicago.

Miss Anna Miller of Joliet spent the holidays visiting her father, E. N. Miller and her sister and her brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Naylor of Ashton.

Shirley Clayton is spending the holidays visiting friends and relatives in West Brooklyn.

James R. Keyes of Peatone, Ill., was here Christmas to visit his sister, Mrs. E. C. Lane who is recovering nicely from her recent operation. Mr. Keyes is manager of the A. & P. store in Peatone.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jobst of Chicago, Albert Miller and son Bruce of Van Orin spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Miller.

Mrs. Nick Kellen, daughters Margaret, Alberta, Earl, Lester, Gilbert of Sublette and Cecil of Dixon, left Sunday evening for Norwood, Minn., to attend the funeral of Mrs. Amelia Kellen Heinisch who passed away at 1 a. m. Sunday morning. Mrs. Heinisch was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Kellen and formerly lived in Amboy.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keyes and family were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Lane.

Mrs. Nora Dyer who spent the Christmas holidays visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Blackburn of Dixon has returned to her home.

Purl Ackerson spent Sunday and Monday in Chicago.

Miss Emma Reniff and Robert Fling of Chicago spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Feniff.

Christmas guests at the Glenn Holt home were Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Lyon and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gewecke.

Glen Purdy of Tulsa, Okla., spent the Christmas holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Purdy. He returned to his home Sunday evening.

Miss Dorothy Nickolsan of Marquette spent her vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kaey.

Mrs. Ethel Armstrong spent Christmas in Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Holt and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Gewecke attended the candlelight service at St.

his duties at Champaign Sunday after spending the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Kendall.

The Allen Harrison family moved the fore part of the week to DeKalb. Mr. Harrison will be employed in that city after the first of the year.

Miss Ruth Boyd will resume her teaching duties at Rockton on Thursday of this week after spending the holiday recess at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krug and the Misses Clara and Mina Krug visited over the week-end in Chicago with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Krug and other relatives and friends.

Christmas Lighting Contest

In the Christmas lighting contest which was sponsored by the Woman's club and the Ashton Civic club the first prize in the residential district was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. George Schabacker; the second to Mr. and Mrs. Adam Witzel and the third to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stephan. In the downtown window displays the Schaller meat market placed first and the Klingebiel implement store, second.

W. M. S. Meeting

The Women's Missionary society of the Evangelical church will meet at the home of Miss Minnie Schade on Wednesday, Jan. 8. Mrs. R. C. Heibenthal will give the lesson study. All members and friends of the society are most cordially invited to be present.

Luke's church in Dixon on Christmas Eve.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Buryman and Mr. and Mrs. James Demorest of Seneca spent Christmas in Apple River with relatives.



# Fanfare

By DON DANIELSON

## OREGON VS. SPRINGFIELD

That feature basketball game at Oregon Thursday night will start at 8 o'clock when the Hawks are hosts to Coach Mark Peterman's strong Springfield team. There will be only one game and tickets are selling at 35 cents for adults and 25 cents for children. If you're looking for some first class basketball and a matching of northern style with that employed by downstate, you'll enjoy the game. The Oregon date is one of several as the Peterman crew tours the state for feature attractions.

## HOLIDAY TRUCE ENDS

The holiday truce in the North Central conference wars ends Friday night as all six teams resume their firing at the standings. The existing tie between Dixon and Mendota for first place holds the center of the stage as the Ducks prepare to invade the court of the Heinzen Friday. At Belvidere, the Boone county warriors hope to regain some of their early season prestige in a game against the Barbs of DeKalb who have won only a single game all season. The third contest is the Princeton invasion of the Sterling court. Rochelle is the only member of the Rock River conference with a Friday night assignment and that's a non-league game at Spring Valley.

## KNICK-KNACKS

In ten games played (exclusive of the victory over Creston last night) the Dixon Knacks have won seven and lost three with a total of 388 points against 260 by their opponents. The record (minus last night's game) is as follows:

Player	Field Goals	Free Throws	Missed Throws	Fouls	Total
Bevilacqua	48	13	4	23	109
Ullrich	37	7	8	15	81
Gehant	26	7	8	8	59
Page	18	2	4	9	38
McNamara	11	1	0	6	23
Flanagan	7	4	7	5	18
Potts	9	0	2	12	18
Temple	6	0	3	2	12
Bellows	5	0	5	11	10
Henry	4	2	2	3	10
Other players	4	2	0	5	10
Totals	175	38	43	99	388

## TO YOU

Fanfare extends season's best wishes to all contributors, fans, coaches and readers for a Happy and Victorious New Year.

## AMBOY ALUMNI WIN DOUBLEHEADER

With Bob Leake and John Powers figuring as heavy scorers, the Alumni of Amboy high school last night won a doubleheader on the school hardwood. The grade defeated Freeport (an independent team), 44 to 26 in the first game and tripped the Lee Center Alumni, 28 to 13 in the nightcap.

## Hoosier Cagers Defeat Kentucky in Thrilling Windup; Turn to Big 10 Race

By TOM SILER

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The touring cagers of Indiana university, conquerors of seven of eight basketball foes this season, are now ready to turn their attention to the Western Conference title race.

Indiana almost always has a fine basketball team, but never has won undisputed possession of the Big Ten crown. Even last year the Hoosiers won the N. C. A. A. championship, but Purdue nosed them out of the conference diadem. In the 1939-1940 campaign Indiana lost three games, all in the league, while Purdue lost four, but only two against a conference rival.

The Hoosiers completed their non-conference schedule last night with a 48 to 45 victory over Kentucky, Southeastern Conference champions, in a Sugar Bowl feature at New Orleans.

The Hoosiers led all the way except for a few minutes of the first half, and on two occasions amassed big leads. But the Kentuckians rallied both times, and the game ended with 7,500 spectators yelling furiously as the clubs matched point for point until the last few seconds.

## Superior Floor Play

Indiana won by superior floor play.

The Hoosiers' guarding and ability to get the ball off the backboard kept the Colonels shooting from a distance, while Indiana passes and dribbles often pierced the Wildcat defense.

Curley Armstrong, ace dribbler, and Bill Menke were high scorers, each tallying 14 points.

## Rose Bowl Grid Opponents End Practice Drills

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Nebraska's Cornhuskers and Stanford's Indians breezed through easy football workouts today in a whoop and holler training wind-up for the battle of the Rose Bowl tomorrow.

The final drills were more or less superficial—muscle looseners and play polishers. It was a lark for the players but a zero hour approach for the coaches who appeared to have a corner on the worry market.

Major Lawrence "Biff" Jones, the Nebraska coaching nabob, and Clark Daniel Shaughnessy of Stanford seemed to have reached a physical and mental state that would qualify them for a national jitterbug contest. They were on fairly even terms in this respect.

Bulky "Biff," a Rose Bowl luminary for the first time, was as jumpy as a pogo stick. Prof. Shaughnessy, enjoying similar fame by virtue of the outstanding first season coaching feat in the history of the sport—undefeated Stanford won the conference championship—was in a similar fix.

## Odds Favor Stanford

Odds of 5 to 11 favored Stanford, with even wagering at 7 points. The wise men of the game considered the outcome strictly on the toss-up variety.

One sour note blew out of Stanford's secret practice. Milt Vuichnick, 202-pound second string fullback and a mighty handy fellow to have around, was believed definitely out of the classic. He injured a knee in practice and a

## MOON'S EFFECT STRONGER

The attraction of the moon and sun cause tides, with the moon having the stronger effect of the two, since it is much nearer to the earth.

According to a survey recently taken, drivers around 40 years of age have the lowest accident rate.

## KNACKS WIN IN CLOSE CONTEST WITH CRESTON

### Bellows of Locals and Rand of Opponents Are Top Scorers

Dixon's Knacks won their second game in the Rochelle independent basketball league last night when they skinned Creston, 27 to 26, after skating on thin ice throughout the contest. In the first game of the twin bill the Rochelle Asparagus team routed the Rochelle Leaders, 33 to 32.

In the Knacks' victory Bellows shared scoring honors with Rand of the Creston quintet as each made eight tallies.

The Knacks took the lead in the opening frame, 8 to 3, and continued to lead at the halftime by two points, 16 to 14.

The Dixon team counted six points in the third quarter to five by Creston and a rally by the opponents with seven points to the Knacks' five in the last canto put the Creston lads in the running until the final gun.

The victory was the Knacks' eighth in 11 games.

Box score:

Knacks (27)	Fr	Ft	Ft	Ft	Totals
Flanagan, f	2	0	1	4	5
Temple, f	2	0	2	4	6
Bellows, f	4	0	1	8	9
Ullrich, c	3	0	0	6	6
Gehant, c	0	1	1	1	2
Potts, g	1	0	0	2	2
Potts, g	0	0	0	0	0
Henry, g	1	0	2	2	3
Totals	13	1	7	27	27

Creston (26)

Creston (26)	Fr	Ft	Ft	Ft	Totals
Halverson, f	0	0	1	0	1
Vesta, f	0	0	0	0	0
Edwards, f	3	0	0	6	6
Grundy, c	2	2	1	6	7
Rand, g	3	2	2	8	10
Myroth, g	3	0	0	6	6
Totals	11	4	4	26	26

## MISSISSIPPI STATE COACH CROSSES FINGERS ON EVE OF ORANGE BOWL BATTLE

Miami, Fla., Dec. 31.—(AP)—When Orange Bowl talk centers around Mississippi State's favoritism over Georgetown, Coach Allyn McKee of the Maroons keeps his fingers crossed.

He can't forget that two other football teams from the state of Mississippi lost Orange Bowl games by a single point each.

"I don't believe in jinxes," McKee smiled today, "but you can put it down that we will be out to show the Orange Bowl people we can win."

The fans here still talk about the 1937 New Year's Day game in which Duquesne nosed out Mississippi State, then coached by Major Ralph Sasse, 13 to 12. The Maroons were leading late in the game when Boyd Brumbaugh of Duquesne faded back to pass.

Down the field sped Ernest Hefferle while Brumbaugh kept going back and back.

The Mississippi State player covering Hefferle followed him until he was positive no one could throw the ball that far, then left him. Brumbaugh whirled a tremendous pass that Hefferle took on a dead run for a touchdown, 52 yards from scrimmage.

The year before, Ned Peters of Catholic University ran 67 yards for the touchdown that beat the University of Mississippi, 20 to 19.

It is quite possible that tomorrow's game will be on the same open order. Neither team has been able to scout the other effectively, and both squads have been practicing in absolute privacy.

Mississippi State was slightly favored, mainly because the Maroons played a tougher schedule than Georgetown.

Three conference teams are tabbed for action tonight. Northwestern playing host to Notre Dame, and a Milwaukee doubleheader pitting Illinois against Marquette and Princeton against Wisconsin.

Bradley opens a west coast trip against U. C. L. A. at Los Angeles and Creighton plays Michigan State again.

member of the coaching staff indicated hope for his services had been abandoned.

Nebraska also had a physical problem in Roy Petch, 175-pound quarterback. Petch has been troubled with a back ailment and while regarded as a starter, may or may not stand the rough going.

Although a sell-out and capacity crowd of 90,000 is assured, there were reports some ticket holders had mailed back their pasteborders, probably influenced by rain which has swept the coast intermittently for over a week.

## BASKETBALL SCORES

### COLLEGE RESULTS

Princeton 30; Michigan 29	Georgia Washington 46; Minnesota 43
Pittsburgh 48; Ohio State 34	Temple 40; Kansas 35
Selton Hall 34; Kansas State 29	Oregon State 61; Nebraska 38
Colorado 47; St. John's (Brooklyn) 42	Creighton 37; Michigan State 29
LaSalle 41; Santa Clara 35	Council Bluffs 35; Wayne 35
Long Island 61; Rice 57	Tennessee 31; Austin Peay Normal 23
Indiana State 75; Centenary 31	Augsburg 24; Eau Claire Teachers 23
St. Mary's (Calif.) 44; Utah State 42	Denver 38; Western (Colo.) State 32
Utah 38; California 29.	

## BOBBY RIGGS WINS SUGAR BOWL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

New Orleans, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Bobby Riggs is again Sugar Bowl tennis champion, after beating the tournament jinx and Gardner Mulloy of Coral Gables, Fla.

The Chicagoan outclassed Mulloy 6-2, 7-5, 6-0, yesterday in the finals and became the first player ever to win the Sugar Bowl tourney twice. He had done it in 1937.

The navy, in late September, had a total of 1812 aircraft and 1234 of this number were classified as useful combat planes.

# Dixon's Undefeated Sophs Risk Record Tonight

## Reynolds Bowlers Are Now Tied for Second in League

Reynolds Wire bowlers moved into a four-way tie for second place in the City League last night when they rolled a postponed game with the Post Office quintet.

The wiremen won two games of the series with Rube Winebrenner rolling 539 for the winners' high series. Top honors of the match went to Tilton of the losers with a 542 series. Winebrenner captured the high game honors of the match with 238 in his first.

The victory put the wiremen in a tie for second with Myers Royal Blue, Three Deuces and Strub and Schultz, all two games behind the Plum Hollow leaders.

Scores:

Post Office	Duffy	Horton	Phalen	M. Miller	Tilton
127	137	157	421	153	158
153	158	141	454	159	132
144	435	172	187	183	542
138	138	138	414		
Total	915	901	884	2700	

## Reynolds Wire

R. Winebrenner	238	144	157	539
Bawden	129	164	159	452
Legore	175	136	157	468
Ridlbauer	179	157	156	492
Becker	174	158	174	506
118	118	118	354	
Total	1013	877	921	2811

## Sports Roundup

By EDDIE BRIETZ

New York, Dec. 31.—(AP)—

Don't let this jar you, but Jarrin John Kimbrough will demand 25 grand to play pro football.

Hard to believe, but New Orleans reports Boston College rooters down there want 14 points.

Dallas scalpers are asking \$25 per copy for \$3.30 Cotton Bowl seats. (Not even the specs can get \$4.40 pasteborders).

Cubs may be stuck with Billy Herman. Reason: \$20,000 salary.

## Ouch and Double-Ouch

They're telling it around the coaches' meeting that L. W. St. Pohn, Ohio State athletic director, really came to New York to talk to three men—Wes Fesler, Earl Blaik and Dr. Mal Stevens.

Imagine his embarrassment when he learned Fesler had just signed as Wesleyan. Blaik had shifted from Dartmouth to Army and Dr. Stevens was in the process of autographing a new five-year contract at New York U.

## F. B. Rumor Foundry

Francis Schmidt may wind up with the Detroit pros. . . Bill Edwards, who put his Western Reserves in the Sun Bowl, said to be on or near the top of the Marquette list.

Frank Thomas is an Ohio State possibility. . . Marchie Schwartz, now at Stanford, reported headed for the No. 1 spot at U. C. L. A. (with Bernie Masterson of the Chicago Bears already signed as backfield coach, looks like the Uclans are getting ready to start pitching those "T" parties).

## The Winnab's!

Nixon Denton, sports editor of the Cincinnati Times-Star, crashed our "guest star" corner often in 1940. . . And Col. Elmer Salter of Auburn grabbed off more space than any other college press agent.

Come in, boys, and pick your prizes—tickets to the first "honest wrestling" show put on by Madison Square Garden.

## Sports Cocktail

We got 14 of those yah, yah wires burning us for picking California over Georgia Tech and its our face red. . . The boys on the Des Moines Register put out a nifty Xmas section for Sports Editor Set Taylor who is in a hospital after a heart attack.

A Minneapolis high school had to forfeit 17 football victories when the draft disclosed one of its stars was over age. . . Sammy Sneed, a native Virginian, has been called a West Virginian so much he is beginning to believe it himself.

Two Brooklyn pubs offered Lee Grissom a bartender's job during the winter, but Lee turned 'em down—on the advice of the front office.

## Today's Guest Star

Gordon Spear, Billings (Mont.) Gazette: "The average life of a bowling pin is 10,000 knockdowns. . . Well, at least the bowling pins know when to quit."

And now we hoist a cup of cheer To wish you all a grand New Year.

## FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

(By The Associated Press)

Chicago — Carl Vinciguerra, 191 Omaha, Neb., knocked out Frank Greene, 182½, Chicago, (2).

Newark, N. J. — Freddie (Red) Cochrane, 149, Elizabeth, N. J., outpointed Joe De Jesus, 149, New York, (8).

In the building of bombers, the German trend is toward construction of twin-engine bombers of high speed but low carrying power and range. Principal emphasis in England is on long range.

## Red Wings' Prize Rookie



## GRID BOWLS AT A GLANCE

(By The Associated Press)

Here are the contestants, starting times, probable weather, attendance and Associated Press staff writers covering the principal college football classics on New Year's Day: (All time Central Standard)

Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif.

Stanford vs. Nebraska, 4:15 p. m., fair, 90,000. Robert Myers and Russell Newland.

Sugar Bowl at New Orleans.

Tennessee vs. Boston College, 1:15 p. m., cloudy, 73,000. Whitney Martin and Mortimer Kreeger.

Cotton Bowl at Dallas, Tex.

Texas Aggies vs. Fordham, 1:15 p. m., partly cloudy, 45,500. Felix McKnight.

Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla.

Mississippi State vs. Georgetown, 1 p. m., partly cloudy, 32,000. Mild, Larry Rollins.

All-Stars at San Francisco, East vs. West, 4 p. m., showers, 72,000. Richard Cushing.

Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex.

Tempe (Ariz.) Teachers vs. Western Reserve, 3 p. m., partly cloudy, 15,000. John R. Ward.

Pineapple Bowl at Honolulu.

Hawaii vs. Fresno (Calif.) State, fair, 22,000.

## AGGIES FIGURE THEY WILL NEED TWO TOUCHDOWNS TO OUTSCORE FORDHAM ELEVEN

Dallas, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Two, probably three, touchdowns will be needed to outscore Fordham university in the Cotton Bowl tomorrow, master minds of the Texas Aggies dolefully agreed today.

File that under the heading of startling statements for the Texas Aggies, rough shot winners of 19 of their past 20 games, happen to be the stoutest defensive team in college football.

Potency of the Fordham offensive was admitted by Coach Homer Norton in his pre-game analysis of a battle that will lure more than 46,000 into the big saucer.

"The Aggies will need two touchdowns—probably more, to win the game. We know Fordham has one of the best rounded backfields in the game and we also have respect for their line. Frankly, we think we are playing one of the best teams in the nation."

Coach Jim Crowley of Fordham freely made the Aggies favorites "because of their very fine record over the past two seasons—with the same club."

## DEFINED

The word "parasite" is taken from the Greek which means "eating alongside of," and originally was applied to any person who ate at another's table, repaying the host with flattery.

It is estimated that more than one-third of all the automobiles and trucks ever produced in the United States are still in use.

## B. L. P. Conference Tourney to Open on New Year's Day

What promises to be one of the best high school tournaments ever to be held in this section will take place on January 1, 2, 3 and 4 at Bureau, Lee Center, Ohio, and LaMoille respectively.

The B. L. P. conference tournament is composed of teams from Bureau, Lee and Putnam counties and is somewhat different than the usual tournament, due to the fact that it is a rotating tournament and is composed of A and B class teams. With such an arrangement opportunity is provided for a greater number of boys to participate in basketball with boys of their own class and thus insure more nearly equal competition and at the same time distribute and increase the responsibility and interest in the four tournament centers.

The following schools have teams entered in the tournament, Henry, Bureau, Lee Center, Cherry, Malden, LaMoille and Ohio. Several good teams are represented and the spirit of competition is keen and close, so that an excellent tournament is predicted.

Appropriate first and second place trophies will be presented to the winners in classes A and B.

Freeport Hosts Have Won Three of Five Games

Coach C. B. Lindell's "pepper pot" sophomore team, undefeated in five games, risks its record tonight in the preliminary game at Freeport high school where the Dixon underclassmen hope to start 1941 with a record as clear as that of the dying year.

Tonight's sophomore game, the curtain raiser to the varsity contest between the Ducks and the Pretzels, is likely to draw almost as much attention as the senior conflict as the locals match their skill against opponents who have rolled over such foes as Dubuque, Ia., Elgin and Harlem of Rockford.

In the five games played thus far the minor Ducks have counted a total of 116 points against 68 by their opponents. The Pretzel sophomores have won three of their five games with a total of 152 points against 123 by their foes. That's an average of 30 2/3 points per tilt for the hosts and 23 1/5 points per game for the Dixon lads.

Freeport Starters Pretzelletts starters are expected to come from a group including Roger Wieland (5-6), forward; Don Best (5-5), forward; Jack Lutz (6-0), forward; Roger Ferguson (6-2), center; Glen Kuntzelman (5-10), guard; Tom Ferguson (5-8), guard; Al Grettler (5-6), forward; Lovell Miller (5-6), forward and guard; Bill Lindsey (5-8), guard; and Louis Kracht (6-2), center and forward.

Coach Lindell is expected to draw heavily on his starting five for tonight's game which means Frank Leeper and Walter Knack as forwards, Floyd Egler at center and Bill Evans and John Loftus as guards.

In the varsity conflict, for which starting lineups have already been named, the Dixon Ducks will match a record of 4 won and one lost against a Pretzel count of two wins and three defeats.

## Enthusiasm for Sugar Bowl Tilt Nears Hysteria

New Orleans, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Two football teams with 20 miles of golf coast between them, but nary an alibi, were ending the year and their practice simultaneously today in the quiet of their respective camps as enthusiasm over their meeting in the Sugar Bowl classic here tomorrow slowly worked its way toward mass hysteria.

At Bay St. Louis, Miss., an apprehensive Frank Leahy was to send his Boston College Eagles through a mild workout to brighten any dull spots and then prepare to spend New Year's Eve worrying in all dimensions about what might happen tomorrow.

Eastward along the coast at Edgewater Park, Rob Neyland and his confident Tennessee Vols were to go through a similar routine, with the Veteran Neyland, to whom bowl games have become just an extension department of the regular schedule, foreboding Leahy's worrying role.

With the recovery of Gene Goodreault, star Boston end, from a knee injury, both squads are in top shape physically.

Meanwhile this always-festive city was beginning to look like all the county fairs rolled into one as trains, buses, automobiles and buses hourly disgorged hundreds of rabid fans.

The Vols early today were rated 2-5 favorites, although the margin was expected to narrow.

Odds or no odds the belief was general that 73,000 spectators would see a great, and possibly free-scoring, battle between two undefeated teams tomorrow.

## LARGEST CAVERNS

New Mexico's Carlsbad Caverns are the biggest in North America, with the possible exception of the Cacamulnips Caverns, near Mexico City.

John Ufferts and Frank Himes homes.

Bill Abbott returned Saturday to the University of Illinois after a week's vacation at home.

Marilyn Pettinger and Lois Reed are ill of influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Beeson returned Saturday after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. J. D. Hunter in Chicago.

Miss Hazel Dale will return Wednesday to Anna, Ill., where she is a member of the high school faculty, after spending her vacation at home.

Reno Murdoch left Monday to return to Duncan Field at San Antonio, Texas, following a week's furlough at home.

Carolyn Chamberlain of Chicago is spending the week with Suzanne and Jane Brooke.



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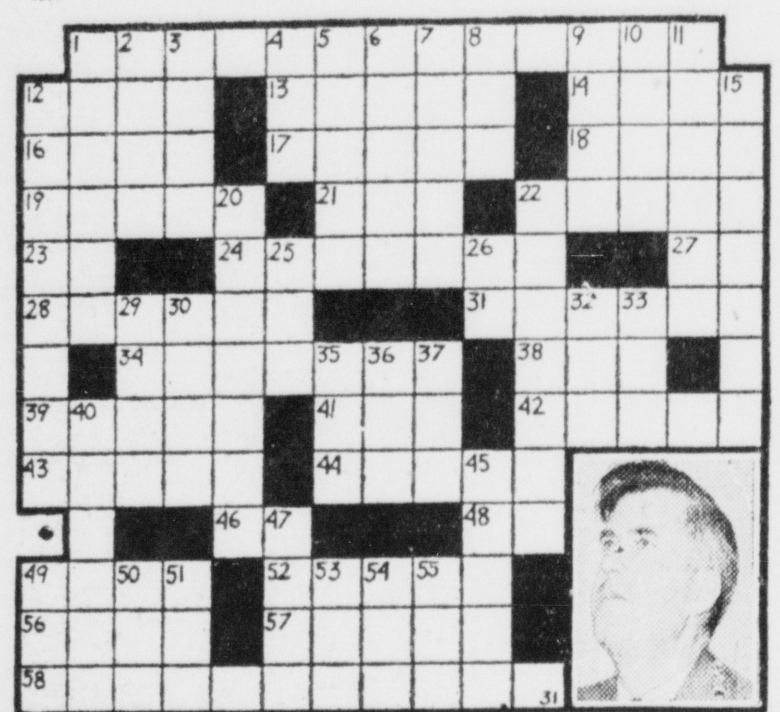
1 Vice president elect of the U. S. A.  
12 Shoe bottom.  
13 Axiom.  
14 To lounge about.  
15 Bear constellation.  
17 Changed position.  
18 Fish, burbot.  
19 Crawled.  
21 Moringa seed.  
22 Pastry cook.  
23 Company (abbr.).  
24 Sluggishness.  
27 Ream (abbr.).  
28 White fur.  
31 To strip blubber.  
34 Whole number.  
38 Lion.  
39 Waltz.  
41 Expert flyer.  
42 Florentine iris.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

**VERTICAL**

43 Guitar.  
44 Constructed.  
46 Street (abbr.).  
48 Plural pronoun.  
49 Fissure.  
52 Made of oatmeal.  
56 Cetacean.  
57 Beast of burden.  
58 He was secretary of — in the U. S. A.

12 He — John Garner in office.  
15 He attempted to solve the — problems.  
20 Those that —  
22 Voting tickets.  
23 Horn.  
25 Provided.  
29 Money factory.  
30 Indian.  
32 Ever (contr.).  
33 Neither.  
35 To gossip.  
36 Small shield.  
37 Coin.  
40 Helping.  
45 Pertaining to the moon.  
47 Balsam.  
49 Inlet.  
50 Evergreen tree.  
51 Japanese fish.  
53 Every.  
54 To make lace.  
55 Ratite bird.



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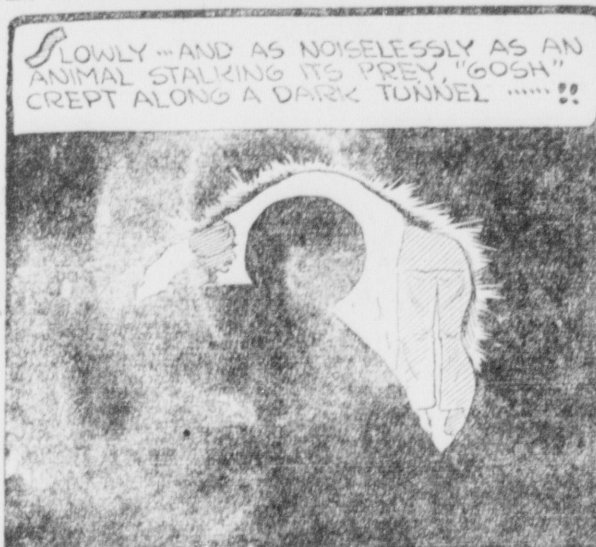
**QUOTE**

**IN MOST PRINTING, HOW DO THE QUOTATION MARKS AT THE BEGINNING OF A QUOTATION DIFFER FROM THOSE AT THE CLOSE?**

**ANSWER:** The tails point in opposite directions. The marks at the beginning are two inverted commas, while two apostrophes are used at the close.

**NEXT:** Traveling along with Mother Earth.

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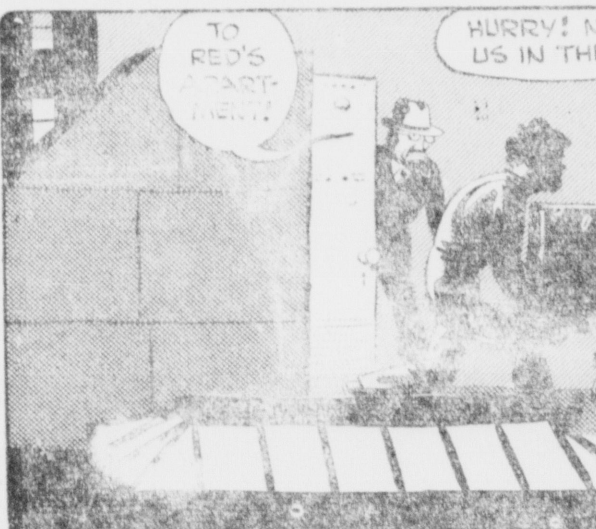
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## Pettengill

**"The Gentleman From Indiana"**  
"Half Slave and Half Free"

Interventionists say that the world cannot live "half slave and half free." This is just another slogan. As applied to the world the statement is not true, never has been true, and probably never will be true.  
The phrase goes back to Abraham Lincoln and the Douglas debates. As applied to slavery in our own country the phrase had meaning. A house divided against itself could not stand. The war between the states proved it.

But applied to world affairs the phrase is a historic fake. We established a free government in a slave world in 1776. Washington and Jefferson were willing to gamble on freedom here despite tyranny abroad. Thank God for that. If interventionists had been around they would, apparently, have advised them not to try. No use. Throw up the sponge. "You can't establish a free America in a slave world". But they did it! And for 164 years their sons and daughters have maintained it in a world in which Czars, Kaisers, Napoleons, Hitlers, Sultans, Kings, War Lords and Most Highests have strutted across vast regions of the globe. And the key to our success—the greatest in the world's history—was that we didn't stick our noses in the business of kings unless kings stuck their noses in the business of Americans, beginning with George III.

"But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, evidence a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism it is their right, it is their duty to throw off such government and to provide new Guards for their future security."

Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and Benjamin Franklin were the first isolationists. They wanted to isolate America from tyrants and slaves.

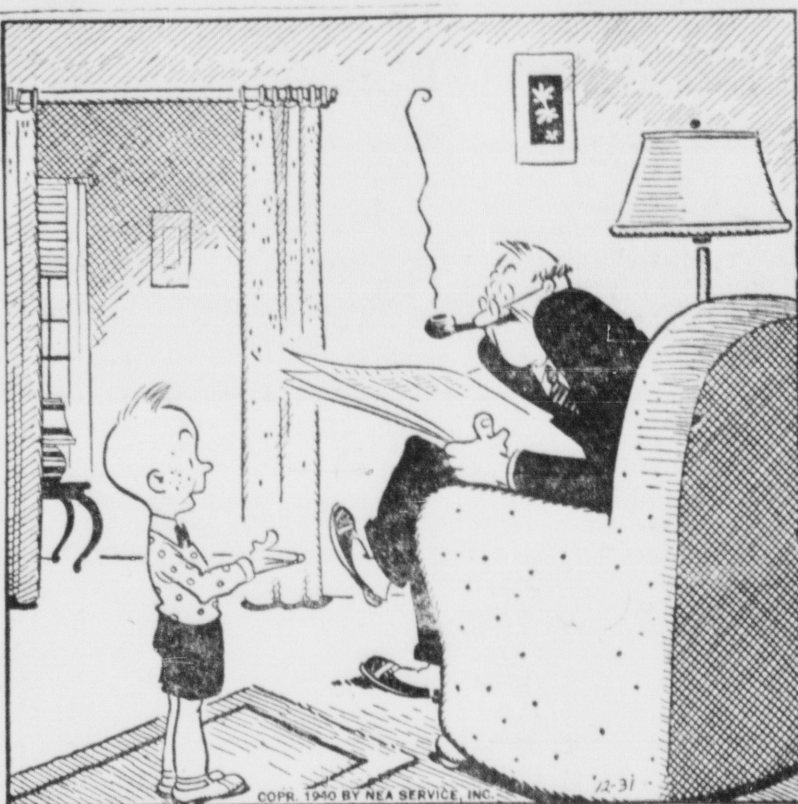
Do interventionists think the Declaration of Independence was a terrible mistake? That it must be rectified?

Half slave and half free. Why, for a century there was the Czar of All the Russias grinding under the heel of his Cossacks every right and dream of free men, as Stalin does today. And there was Siberia, the living grave of the dead hopes of living men. Washington, Jefferson, Monroe and the great presidents who followed them until 1917 sympathized with the helpless victims of Russian oppression but they never felt it was our business to straighten out the empire of the Czars.

Half slave and half free. For a century there was Turkey guilty of the most hideous pogroms against social and religious minorities, a record so black that it became known as "The Unspeakable Turk". Yet under the wise restraint of great presidents we never considered it our duty to make the Turkish Empire be good.

And while Fuzzy Wuzzy was being liquidated by Kitchener of Khartoum, we again didn't assume to tell the British Empire

## FUNNY BUSINESS



"Last year you made resolutions to quit smoking—what New Year's resolutions are you making this year, Pop?"

how to behave. . . .

From 1776 to 1917 we decided to mind our own business and had some small measure of success. Since then we have not done so well.

Half slave and half free. Not Americans alone. There is brave little Switzerland. Long before Jefferson and Washington, before Columbus, even, the Swiss decided to try to be free in a slave world. For six hundred years their big little Republic has survived, an island of liberty in a sea of despotic power.

And not only Switzerland. Robert Emmett of Ireland, Robert Bruce of Scotland, Lafayette in France, Garibaldi in Italy, Bolivar in Brazil, Tolstoy in Russia, Carl Schurz in Germany, Toussaint L'Overture in Haiti, Gandhi in India, and before them the Free Cities of the mediaeval world, and the Brave Days of Old!—none of them swallowed the slogan that you can't live half slave and half free. Some succeeded and some failed. But even those whose dreams went down to dust, even of them we recall that profound saying of Guizot, "The struggle itself supplied in some measure the place of liberty."

If this were a war of ideologies, a struggle between "the democracies and the dictators," then why is it that the only ambassador we now have in an important European capital is our ambassador to Russia? Is Russia free? Or is it a slave land more horrible than when Tolstoy lived? If Tolstoy were living now would Stalin let him live?  
Let's cut out the humbug and ask one question only: What's best for Americans? The choice, I submit, is not between systems of government. It is between continental Americanism and world-wide imperialism.

**SAMUEL B. PETTINGILL**  
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**Shrine Officials Dislike Talk of War Relief Tilt**

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The recruiting of Tommy Harmon and a batch of other East-West football stars for a British war relief game at Los Angeles on Jan. 5 aroused the ire of Shrine officials here today.

The Shrine has worked for 16 years to build the East-West game into a New Year's Day classic and fears that if the players go barnstorming off afterward for this belatedly-arranged Los Angeles

9:00 Story Dramas—WENR  
Bob Hope's Show—WMAQ  
Glen Miller's Orch.—WBMM  
9:15 Art Kassel's Orch.—WGN  
Invitation to Learning—WBMM  
Music America—WCFL  
9:30 Uncle Walter's Doghouse—WMAQ  
Northerners—WGN  
Pleasure Time—WMAQ  
New Year's Eve Party—WGN  
Ten O'clock Final—WENR  
10:00 Music Lovers' Program—WCFL  
Will Bradley's Orch.—WMAQ  
Baron Elliott's Orch.—WGN  
Todd Hunter—WBMM  
Sammy Kaye's Orch.—WGN  
11:00 Glen Miller's Orch.—WMAQ  
Globe Trotter—WENR  
Masterwork of Music—WBMM

## WEDNESDAY

**Afternoon**  
12:00 Life Can Be Beautiful—WBMM  
The Three Suns—WGN  
12:15 Woman in White—WBMM  
Tunes and Tips—WMAQ  
Voice of Romance—WCFL  
12:30 Right to Happiness—WBMM  
Johnny Duffy's Music—WGN  
Heart of Julia Blake—WMAQ  
12:45 Road of Life—WBMM  
Siesta—WOC  
Ginsberg's Orch.—WGN  
1:00 Orange Bowl Football game—WBMM  
Cotton Bowl Football game—WGN  
Betty Crocker—WMAQ  
1:15 Girl Interne—WBMM  
Arnold Grimm's Daughter—WMAQ  
Painted Dreams—WGN  
1:30 Valiant Lady—WMAQ  
Guess Who—WCFL  
Sugar Bowl—WIBA  
1:45 Light of the World—WMAQ  
Orange Bowl—WBMM  
Spotlight—WCFL  
2:00 Margaret McBride—WBMM  
Story of Mary Marlin—WMAQ  
Linda's First Love—WIBA  
Sugar Bowl—WLS  
2:15 Gypsy Strings—WCFL  
Ma Perkins—WMAQ  
2:30 Memories and Melodies—WCFL  
Pepper Young's Family—WMAQ  
2:45 Sugar Bowl—WLS  
Vic and Sade—WMAQ  
Stella Dallas—WCFL  
3:00 Backstage Wife—WMAQ  
Mother of Mine, sketch—WENR  
Orange Bowl—WBMM  
3:15 Orange Bowl—WBMM  
Stella Dallas—WMAQ  
3:30 Lorenzo Jones—WMAQ  
Hilltop House—WBMM  
Radio Gossip Club—WGN  
Club Matinee—WENR  
3:45 Kate Hopkins, sketch—WBMM  
East-West Football game—WGN  
WGN Wilder Brown—WMAQ  
4:00 Goldbergs—WBMM  
Benny Strong's Orch.—WGN  
Girl Alone—WMAQ  
4:15 Lone Journey—WMAQ  
The O'Neills—WBMM  
4:30 Guiding Light—WMAQ  
Rose Bowl football game—WENR  
4:45 Life Can Be Beautiful—WMAQ  
Edna O'Dell—WGN  
Scattergood Baines—WBMM  
5:00 King Arthur, Jr.—WENR  
Musical Cameo—WBMM  
Sensation Syncopation—WGN  
Accordiana—WCFL  
5:15 Hedda Hopper's Hollywood—WBMM  
Musical Memories—WMAQ  
5:30 Paul Sullivan—WBMM  
Guess Who—WCFL  
Hits of Today—WGN  
Don Winslow of the Navy—WLS  
5:45 The World Today—WBMM  
Lowell Thomas—WLS  
Jack Kelly's Orch.—WCFL  
Evening  
6:00 Rose Bowl—WENR  
Pleasure Time—WMAQ  
Amos 'n' Andy—WBMM  
Dr. Preston Bradley—WGN  
6:15 Mr. Keen, Tracer of Lost Persons—WENR  
John W. Vandercok—WMAQ  
Lanny Ross—WBMM  
6:30 Helen Menken—WBMM  
Musical Entre—WMAQ  
H. V. Kaltenborn—WMAQ  
6:45 Music Time—WCFL  
Ray Blach's Orch.—WMAQ  
Court of Missing Heirs—WBMM  
7:00 First Nighter—WBMM  
Treasure Chest—WMAQ  
Question Box—WLS  
Secret Agent—WGN  
8:00 Battle of the Sexes—WMAQ  
Grand Central Station—WENR  
We the People—WBMM  
Professor Quiz—WENR  
Fibber McGee and Molly—WMAQ  
Morton Gould's Orch.—WGN

7:15 How Did You Meet?—WMAQ  
7:30 Manhattan at Midnight—WLS  
Plantation Party—WMAQ  
Boake Carter—WGN  
Dr. Christian—WBMM  
8:00 Highlights Program—WCFL  
Time to Smile—WMAQ  
Doctors at Work—WENR  
Fred Allen—WBMM  
8:30 Mr. District Attorney—WMAQ  
Pageant of Melody—WGN  
Concert Miniature—WENR  
9:00 Glenn Miller's Orch.—WBMM  
Bundles for Britain—WENR  
Ray Kyser's Orch.—WMAQ  
9:15 Public Affairs—WBMM  
Music, America—WCFL  
Richard Himber's Orch.—WENR  
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Golden Gate Quartet—WBMM  
Griff Williams' Orch.—WGN  
10:00 Answer Man—WGN  
King's Jesters—WMAQ  
Ten O'clock Final—WENR  
10:15 Chicago at Night—WGN  
Fort Pearson—WMAQ  
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## THURSDAY

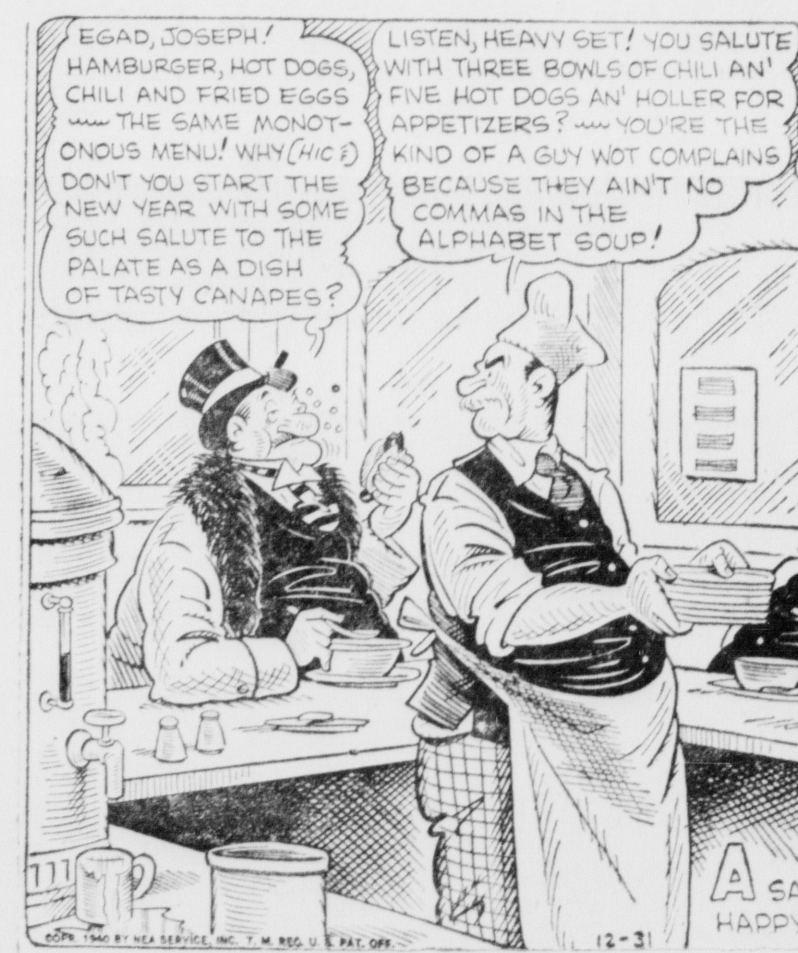
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Orphans of Divorce—WLS  
2:15 Amanda of Honeymoon Hill—WLS  
Ma Perkins—WMAQ  
Golden Treasury of Song—WBMM

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Richard Meade  
Reporter

## Bowling Standings

Following are the latest bowling standings of the teams playing at the Town alleys. Some of the league teams did not play during the busy Christmas week, but the standings will be printed as soon as results come in.

W.	30	12
Kargers	27	15
Rollo Five	27	15
Chatterbox	26	19
Schultz	24	21
Town's Recreation	24	21
Hungry Five	22	23
Miller's Five	22	23
Plow Boys	22	23
Sharpshooters	20	22
Blue Seals	21	24
Ridgerunners	18	24
Fasco Mills	18	27
Poltsch Five	16	29
Swayz Tavern	16	29
Butcher Boys	15	30

## Grange News

The members of the local order of the Paw Paw Grange will meet on January 3, 1941 for a regular business meeting and an installation of officers for the ensuing year. All members of the order are urged to attend this very important meeting at the hall. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m.

During the past year work in the local order has been of the highest class in every respect. The Grange has grown rapidly in Paw Paw, and the past year was a big one for the chapter. All members are asked to help make the coming year of 1941 an even greater success.

## Rollerlance Dance

The Rollerlance dance held Friday evening at the local roller rink was a big success. A fine number were on hand to enjoy an evening of dancing pleasure, with a band from Sandwich furnishing the music for the dancers. Paw Paw folks are hoping that these dances presented with good bands will continue throughout the winter months.

## Crusaders Class

The Crusaders Class of the Baptist church had a class party at the church recreation rooms on Monday evening. Mrs. John Edwards is the class instructor. The party was put on by the losing side of an attendance race between the two groups. The losers entertained the winners with a lovely party including a number of games and a holiday grab bag. A very good number were on hand to enjoy the fine evening of fun. After the games, the losers served delicious refreshments.

## Basketball News

Coach Howard Flancher is keeping the Paw Paw high school quintet in shape during the Christmas holidays with regular practice sessions. The local boys do not compete in any holiday tournaments, and regular practice drills are necessary to keep the boys in physical trim and to help the timing during the off season. The locals rec-

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ord stands at five wins and four losses. It is hoped that Jack Fleming, tall center, will regain eligibility for second semester competition. Fleming, big and fast, along with his great scoring ability, will be of tremendous value to the purple and gold.

James Yenerich was a Sycamore visitor on Saturday evening.

Several hunters have reported getting a fox or two the past two weeks.

Miss Edith Urish spent a couple of days the past week at the Everett Lamps home near Mendota.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boyle were week end guests at the C. A. Boyle home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Goble and family were DeKalb visitors on Saturday afternoon.

Rollie Campbell of LeJand was a Saturday visitor at the William Gaines home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Rosenkrans were in Chicago on Monday seeing the sights and shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kindelberger spent Sunday at the Henry Kindelberger home in Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Schlesinger were Sunday evening callers at the Alfred Kern home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Martin called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peters at St. Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hopkins at Sycamore and Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Wielert at DeKalb on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Nevins and daughter Ardis were Aurora visitors on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gaines and daughters, visited friends and relatives in Toluca on Rutland on Christmas day.

Rupert Tarr and daughters Joyce and Roberta, and son Roger were Ottawa visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Simpson spent a few days at the William Gaines home the past week.

Mrs. Hazel Mead and family and Frank Clemons entertained the following guests at a turkey dinner on Sunday: Mrs. Etta Thomas and son Kenneth of Aurora, Miss Pearl Nixdorf of Mendota, Anton Heafner, Jimmie Corwin, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clemons, Charles Gibbs and Ruby Birk.

Mrs. Alfred Kern and son Bobby were Sunday visitors at the Albert Bauer home near Compton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ethel Simpson and sons Donald and Junior, and daughter Cynthia, of Troy Grove were Sunday visitors at the Carlton Jones home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Shehan and family of Earlville were Sunday dinner guests at the William Gaines home.

New Year's Day dinner guests at the A. D. Martin home will be: Miss Frances Martin of Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Wellert and Gene Martin of DeKalb.

Dick Meade, Leon Hutchinson, Maurice Krueger and Charles Gibbs were Mendota visitors on Thursday evening.

Leo Hutchinson and Kelsey Embold of Ohio, Ill., spent Thursday as guests of Leon Hutchinson.

Mrs. Byron Rosenkrans and Mrs. Carl Kindelberger were Mendota visitors on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Merriman returned to their home in Chicago on Thursday after having spent a few days at the Charles Merriman home.

James Corwin of Compton spent a few days the past week at the Anton Heafner home.

New Year's Day dinner guests at the Irv Terry home will be: Mr. and Mrs. William Wangler and family of Newark, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Terry and family, and Miss Celia Stewart. The guests enjoyed the turkey dinner and social time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Goble and family were DeKalb visitors on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. William Schroeder, Mrs. Charles Wright and Junior Schroefer were Mendota visitors on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barton spent Thursday through Saturday in Chicago enjoying a holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Urish and the Rev. and Mrs. Herman Meyer spent a few days the past week with relatives in Pekin and Peoria.

Henry Marks of DeKalb spent several days last week at the Earl Marks home.

Roger Potter of Belvidere enjoyed part of the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Tessman and baby Kay of Dixon came on

Thursday evening and stayed over for a New Year's dinner at the C. A. Tessman home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Amundson were Christmas dinner guests at the Earl Marks home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Goble and family were Friday evening callers at the John Latimer home.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schroeder of Triumph on Christmas. The new baby weighed eight pounds.

Frank Bernhard of Chicago, and Miss Edith Urish were Sunday dinner guests at the Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lamps home near Mendota.

On Sunday Chester and Russell Gaines and Miss Helen Gaines visited at the Walter Simpson home at Rutland.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Prieskorn will be New Year's day dinner guests at the Albert Dienst home at Somonauk.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Craddock and family were Sunday dinner guests at the Sam Baird home.

Mr. and Mrs. Orin Simpson were Thursday evening callers at the Wilbur Clemons home.

Rupert Tarr and daughter Joyce and Roberta were Sunday dinner guests at the R. L. Tarr home.

Mrs. Hazel Mead and daughters Doris and Helen, Frank Clemons, Anton Heafner, and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clemons, will be New Year's day dinner guests at the Mrs. Etta Thomas home in Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hof and son Irv, Mr. and Mrs. Orin Simpson and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barber and family, George Shaddick and Arthur, and Mrs. Fannie Cropley, enjoyed a chili supper at the Lewis Shaddick home Sunday evening.

Christmas Day guests at the R. A. Poltsch home were: Mrs. Anna Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Simpson and family of Troy Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simpson and family of Wedron, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tuttle of Earlville, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Simpson and son of Ottawa, Mr. and Mrs. John Simpson of Earlville, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Good of Earlville, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Griffith of Roanoke, Mr. and Glenn Simpson, Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy of Earlville, Miss Marjorie Manahan, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Suddeth and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Orin Simpson and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hoelzer.

The following were entertained on Christmas at the George Shaddick home: Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Kent and family of Maywood, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Burnett, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coss and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Foster and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Burnett and daughter, Mrs. Annie Merriman and Archie, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Shaddick and daughter Joyce, Wallie Radtke and Will Shaddick.

Angel Wings

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is resolved: "There shall be less and better "better" meaning "smaller" in this instance) fires in 1941."

Harry H. Bates says: "I'm not going to make any new resolutions this year. I'm just going to dig up a few of the old ones and try them another round."

In more serious vein, Miss Esther Barton, principal at the Lincoln grade school, resolves that: "I shall hold no bitterness towards any race or nationality—even though I may not approve of what their leaders do."

There was determination in her voice when Miss Scone Norton, maternity supervisor at Katherine Shaw Bethel hospital, quoted her New Year's resolution, which follows: "I resolve to be more prompt in notifying The Telegraph of new arrivals, in order that I may help proud fathers spread the news more efficiently and relieve the minds of interested friends more quickly."

Mrs. George Cason of the Babylon Arabian Horse Farm resolves "to go on a diet the first of the year"—and Mr. Cason says he's determined to: "See that she stays on it." On second thought, Mr. Cason also hopes "To offend no one during the coming year."

County Clerk Sterling D. Schrock resolves: "To continue to extend the same courteous reception to all residents of Lee county in this department throughout 1941."

"I resolve to be No. 1 man in the tennis ladder next year," says Richard A. Joslyn.

Earl Slagle, Sr., linotype operator at The Telegraph is resolving to "do my best to resist the temptation to go angling for a muskie with the new fly rod which Santa Claus left for me." He admits that already he has been tormented with mental visions of pan fish waiting to be brought to net in fly fishing waters from Canada to the Gulf.

"To help Arnold Lund become a better golfer in 1941" is the thoughtful New Year ambition of Edwin S. Wadsworth.

Walter E. Dickerson contributes this one: "In 1941, I resolve not to watch for mice while elephants go by."

Another veiled barb appears near the surface in Ben B. Billinger's resolution: "To play hearts (the card game) with honest-to-

## Our Prayer for the New Year

Oh God, as we come to another New Year,  
Though the pathway ahead, may seem dark and drear,  
Though the world may be torn in the struggles of war,  
What help could we ask for, what comfort, more  
Than to put our hand in Thine own great one  
And walk with Thee, that Thy will may be done?  
Oh Prince of Peace, may our problems today  
Find answer in Thee, for Thou art THE WAY.

Oh God, as we enter another New Year,  
Though our way be fraught with uncertainty and fear,  
Though freedom be threatened in our own dear land,  
What aid could we look for, what other helping hand,  
Than to lean on Thy strong, everlasting arm,  
Trusting in Thee, to keep us from harm?  
Oh Light of the World, give to age and to youth  
Guidance and wisdom, for Thou art THE TRUTH.

Oh God, as we live through another New Year  
Though men kill in hatred,—take life that is dear,  
Though lost souls are living and dying in sin,  
What comfort can we give them, how else their hearts win  
Than to tell the sweet story, how Christ lived and died  
For all who will accept Him, who will humble their pride?  
Oh Saviour of Men, look down on this strife  
Bring peace and salvation, for Thou art THE LIFE.

JOY E. WILLEY

goodness gentlemen only, during 1941."

Dr. Floyd Leslie Blewfield, pastor of the First Methodist church, swings the trend back to the serious side of things with his resolve: "Not to let prejudice, deception or ignorance destroy confidence in real, honest goodness."

Admittedly taking into consideration that the law of averages should enable him to live up to at least one of his three resolutions for the new year, but reminding us also that "resolutions are made to be broken," C. L. Ballard is determined: "1. Not to cast admiring glances at brunettes in the presence of a blond. 2. Not to mention freight business, or trucking business, in the presence of a railroad man. 3. To refrain in 1941 from wearing bright colored bow ties at the request of Hal Roberts."

Politically speaking, H. C. Warner resolves: "That I will continue trying to help elect a Republican for President of the United States."

Joe Gillen declares he "will spend more time in Dixon, the coming year, and stick close to par on the Dixon Country club and Plum Hollow golf courses."

"Never again will I let anyone know who's behind the white whiskers," declares Bert Cummings.

Le Grand Cannon has hit upon a new angle of the New Year's resolution problem with: "Having failed to keep any New Year's resolution I've ever made, I'm now looking for a resolution to keep me."

M. M. Memler, exalted ruler, Dixon B. P. O. Elks, prefaces his New Year's thought with the observation that "each of us has our individual criterion in forming judgment of others. Joy is not found in things but in their reflection in us. If our aim is to be agreeable in society, we must resort to learning many things we already know." Then comes the following worthwhile advice:

"As members of society, and more particularly as members of this community, our mutual resolve should be: That each day this coming year will be the beginning of a better, truer and happier life, and that our endeavor will be toward a better community in which to live."

"My resolution for the New Year will be exactly the same as those of last year and the year before that, none of which I ever lived up to." Circuit Clerk and County Recorder Edwin S. Rosecrans tells us.

You can't keep a good sports fan under and J. Fred Hofmann resolves that in 1941 "I'll not allow my loyalty to run away with my better judgment in reference to picking the White Sox and Northwestern." But in true-Hofmann style he adds, "But when it comes to baseball and football I'll still pick the Sox and the Wild-cats."

Mrs. Allen Boyd, one of the fall season's brides, has resolved "to reserve the doghouse for canine members only."

"To try to be of benefit to humanity generally and to those afflicted particularly, and to continue to try to make Dixon State hospital the best institution of its type in the nation" is the ambitious endeavor toward which Dr. Warren G. Murray, managing officer of the Dixon State hospital, will bend his efforts in the New Year.

Riding-horses, if they can read, may well take warning with the self-discipline which Mrs. Paul Potts will inflict on herself (and the nags) in the New Year. Says Bette: "I never make them (resolutions), but I can tell you one thing—I'm going to stay on the horse once I mount."

It's a big order, but Mrs. Gander A. Torstenson says: "Resolved to make the best of every minute in 1941."

John Shaulis, Jr., doesn't say anything about cutting out swearing (if he does) for 1941, but he's certainly going to be a better man with the pledge: "I hereby solemnly resolve to pass up all punch boards during the coming year."

not stay up so late during the holiday dances and not to eat any spinach or carrots."

Mrs. Clara Shawger, whose table is circled by a large group of hungry diners in search of the proverbial "three square meals" six days out of the seven, is re-

solving: "To become a better cook in 1941."

The Chamber of Commerce may wish to use Willard Jones' resolution as a slogan. Says Willard: "I'm resolved to be tickled to death in 1940 that I live in a town as good as Dixon, Illinois. And he means it, too!"

Book reviewers and librarians are of the same ilk and there just aren't enough hours in the days or nights. Margaret Scriven of the Dixon public library resolves "not to read later than 2 o'clock each night" and still hopes to be able to put her finger on JUST the book for your Aunt Minnie who loves mysteries or your Uncle Horace who plays chess.

Warren Badger, assistant state's attorney, feels the full import of a doubtful year ahead and offers: "Be it resolved that I pledge anew my faith in the American form of government, founded in liberty, equality and justice and my faith in our people, churches, laws and institutions; and to the end that this government may be preserved, be it resolved that as a citizen I will take a vigilant interest in its affairs and policies."

Ken Allen, member of the Dixon Rifle club, resolves "to shoot more bulls for the rifle club than 'bull-ony' away from the ranges."

"More and less" is the theme of two young men who fit your clothes and shape your hats. Earl Nolan resolves "to grow more

hair" on his thin and fuzzy pate and Lyle Myers is determined "to lose some of my fat."

J. L. Glassburn who rode horseback 23 days in one of the coldest months which had 11 days with temperature below zero, resolves "to ride horseback every day in the New Year." He leaves a slight loophole by adding, "... every day I'm in Dixon."

A hole-in-one may be the golfing reward of Miss Annajean Crabtree who is dead set to "improve my golf game—some way."

One resolution we hope is soon broken is that of Carl Galos who says he's determined "to keep quiet when a certain Telegraph reporter is around. I know from experience," he adds. But, heigh-ho, he's only joking (we hope!)

Graydon Moll deducted 100 from the first draft of his New Year's resolution to make the finished product read: "I can tell you one thing I'm going to do and that's read 200 books during the coming year."

It takes E. E. Borrowman to bring our column back to the subject of golf. "I resolve to teach Floyd Smith to become a better golfer by teaching him my swing," "Gene" says.

## Nelson

Nelson—Robert Stitzel has returned to his studies in Chicago after a brief Christmas visit with his parents and other relatives.

Mr. Sawyer and family have moved into the property recently

purchased from Edward Ortigsen.

Mr. and Mrs. George Onken were hosts to a belated Christmas dinner on Sunday. Those present were: Mrs. Kate Davis, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Veith, Clement May, Kenneth Wright, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Shaw and son Billie, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stedder of Dixon.

Mrs. Ernie Farber left Saturday noon to visit friends at Model, Ia. and in the vicinity of Council Bluffs.

Miss Jane Frederickson of Oak Park was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ortigsen.

Word was received today of the serious illness of Fred Onken of South Pekin. His brothers, George and Gus Onken left immediately to be with him. Fred was formerly a Nelson resident and has hosts of friends here who hope for his recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Minton and son Ronnie were supper guests Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mick of Dixon.

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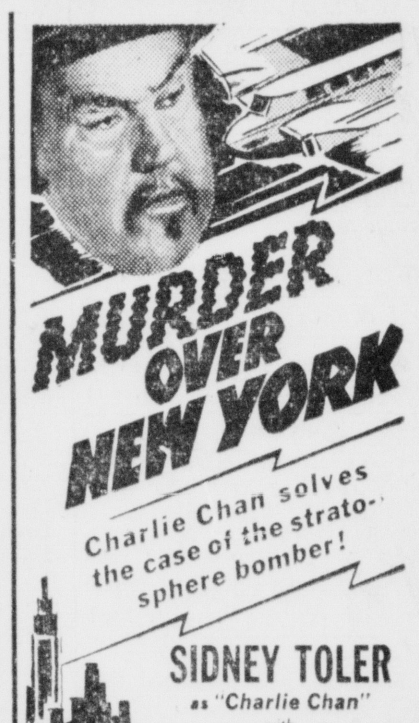
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